

Odd-Fellows

CELEBRATION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INSTITUTION OF GRAND LODGE NO. 20, G. U. O. OF O. F. IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the institution of the District Lodge now District Grand Lodge No. 20, G. U. O. of O. F., in the District of Columbia was fittingly celebrated by the members of the Order in the District on the 17th instant. The public assembly in the afternoon and the grand reception and levee in the evening were held at Convention Hall under the auspices of the executive committee of D. G. L. The grand parade which moved from Odd Fellows' Hall, 1606 M street, N. W., at 1 P. M., arrived at Convention Hall about 2:30 P. M., where the ladies of the various Households of Ruth and the public had assembled to witness the afternoon exercises.



MR. J. ORTWAY HOLMES.

The parade was headed by District Grand Marshal Bailey, of the Odd Fellows' Staff, with a dozen or more aids, all mounted on gaily caparisoned steeds. Next came Hamilton's band, followed by the Washington and visiting patriarchs with banner and resplendent uniforms and regalia. Capt. W. C. Gray commanded, assisted by his very efficient staff. Following the



ATTORNEY W. C. MARTIN.
MASTER OF CEREMONIES.

Patriarch were four carriages containing Grand Secretary J. F. Needham and Grand Director W. L. Houston of the S. C. of M. of the Order in America, District Grand Master J. H. Coleman, Deputy District Grand Master R. F. Williams, District Grand Secretary Isaiah Brown, District Grand Treasurer J. W. Lee, District Grand Director G. W. Thomas, Rev.



MR. W. L. HOUSTON.

W. J. Howard, pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Rev. O. J. Scott, pastor Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, and Hon. J. C. Dancy, Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia. Then came the members of the P. G. M. Councils and those of the lodges in full dress regalia, with their beautiful banners,

upon each of which were inscribed in letters of gold the name and number of the lodge to which it belonged.

The afternoon assembly was very interesting and instructive and was witnessed by a vast and appreciative audience. P. G. M. J. C. Samson being unavoidably absent, the audience was called to order by Rev. S. R. Jennings, P. N. F. Root of David Lodge No. 5414. The assemblage rose and sang "Coronation," after which Rev. Jennings introduced Past District Grand Master W. C. Martin, as master of ceremonies. The master of ceremonies introduced Rev. O. J. W. Scott, pastor of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, who delivered the invocation.

In order that Commissioner H. B. F. McFarland might keep a pressing business engagement, the master of ceremonies extended to him the courtesy of introducing him as the first speaker. Commissioner McFarland spoke forcefully of the great good the Order had accomplished among the colored people; that it was a blessing to them; that he judged the members of the Order generally by the high character of those he personally knew, that he fully appreciated the noble purposes of the fraternity, and that he heartily congratulated its members upon the wonderful progress they have made since the institution of the Grand Lodge.

After music by the band the program proceeded as follows: Remarks by D. G. M. J. H. Coleman, Origin and History of the D. G. L. No. 20, by Past D. G. S. S. W. Watson; Oration by Grand Secretary James F. James F. Needham of the S. C. of M.; Addresses by Hon. J. C. Dancy, Recorder of Deeds of the D. C. and Grand Director W. L. Houston of the S. C. of M.

In the course of his remarks D. G. M. Coleman said that so far as he knew or was advised, this occasion was the first celebration held by any D. G. L. in America; that the Order was doing splendid work for the aid and uplift of suffering humanity, and that Odd Fellowship was a potent factor in the development of true manhood, right living and good citizenship.

The "Origin and History of D. G. L. No. 20" was ably and interestingly reviewed by Past D. G. L. S. W. Watson. He discussed at some length and gave the names of who were prominent and had largely to do with the organizing and constituting the District Lodge in September, 1880, as well as the names of some of those who were conspicuous and in their opposition. The subject was admirably treated and the paper will be printed as a historical document.

It is needless to say that Grand Secretary Needham's oration was thoroughly prepared, ornate and finished in diction and most eloquently delivered. Secretary Needham is a walking encyclopedia of the history of the Order, and his speech proved very instructive. He made special reference to the rapid growth of the various branches of the Order, and confidently predicted that when the 50th anniversary of the institution of the Household of Ruth arrives, the female membership of the Order will equal that of the males at present.

Hon. J. C. Dancy briefly referred to the humane, uplifting and divine principles of the Order and that as a member of the fraternity for twenty-five years, he had personal knowledge of the fact that the Order had in the past, was now, and would in the future prove a great power in the development of character, industry and intelligence and those qualities that make for good.

Grand Director Houston heartily congratulated the executive committee upon the splendid manner in which it carried into execution the letter and spirit of the resolution adopted at the last session of the D. G. Lodge, authorizing the celebration of the 25th anniversary of its existence. In conclusion he observed that the celebration was timely and fitting, as it marked an important epoch in the history of the Order in the District of Columbia, and that the historical data presented by Past D. G. S. S. W. Watson was not only important to each member, but were indicative of the growing numerical strength of the fraternity and its power as a factor in disseminating and permanently fixing in the hearts of mankind the great and eternal principles of Friendship, Love and Truth, which recognize in deed as well as word the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

After the speaking the audience (Continued on Fifth Page.)

What I Saw And Heard

My friend Cuney is in New York doing missionary work. Cuney is a quiet worker.

Billie Crawford has returned from Atlantic City looking well. Billie is one of the boys.

Ex-Editor E. E. Cooper, of the Colored American, has been promoted by Commissioner West.

My good friend Assessor H. H. Danville had a had in it. The Assessor knows no man by the color of his skin.

I am confident that the Commissioners will not hide dirt. No man can hope to escape under the guise of being colored.

I attended the races this week and met a number of the boys there. Many of them returned lighter than they went.

Dr. Gordon, of Howard University, will not be removed and neither will he resign. I want the man removed who favored industrialism at Howard University and who followed Dr. Gordon from pillar to post.

The Niagara Movement has filled a long-felt want. There are no trucklings in the organization. Some people



ATTORNEY J. D. WETMORE.
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

ple are of the opinion that it will soon pass in its checks.

There is a great deal for the Civic Association to do. Instead of black-balling good and honest men they should purge themselves of offenses against the people in this city.

Black Paati will be in the city Monday. I am confident that the people will see a great organization. Black Paati is the queen of song.

There are several strong organizations in this city. The Young Men's Protective League, the Young Men's Immediate Relief, the Elder Men's and the Chorus Attucks. All of these associations are doing well.

Secretary Shaw will investigate the hot-box at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. He does not see why men are compelled to stand all day when they can sit, especially during lunch hour. I would like to know who gave such an order. It is a fearful sight to witness. It is a wonder more men are not dead. Well, a new chief will be appointed at the head of that institution shortly, and then the colored man will receive a "square deal." There has been so much said about a "square deal" it is a wonder that it is not practiced.

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Paragraphic News

BY MISS BEATRIZ L. CHASE.

Ninety-nine persons were drowned and six rescued on the Hilda on the rocks off the French coast. The Hilda left Southampton Friday for St. Malo with more than one hundred passengers on board. The six were rescued by the company's steamer Ada.

Mrs. John C. Roberts, a well known society woman in Philadelphia, died in a hospital at that place last Saturday night from injuries sustained in a runaway accident.

The Steelton Electric Light Company's plant was destroyed by fire one night last week. The loss is estimated at \$60,000, with no insurance.

An announcement was made at Montgomery, Ala., that President Roosevelt would not reappoint L. J. Bryan United States Marshal for the middle district of Alabama as he had stated he would do several days ago. It created quite a sensation.

The Overholt Distillery at Bradford was visited by a fire last Saturday at which 80,000 gallons of whiskey exploded and fed the fire very well. The loss was \$4,000,000, completely covered by insurance. The

Allen as chief of the bureau of rolls and library, Department of State, will take effect on the 2nd of next month.

It is stated that Herr Burns, King Alfonso's German Professor, has been dismissed for spreading a rumor that King Alfonso was betrothed to the Duchess Marie Antoinette of Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

Dr. James A. Brikers, a well known man of Madison, Va., died in his room in the Astor House, New York, this week.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., had to go under an operation on his nose, which was broken in the Yale-Harvard freshman football game last Saturday.

Secretary Wm. E. Taft of the War Department was the guest of honor at the monthly banquet of the St. Louis Commercial Club at St. Louis, Mo.

The Lenora National Bank at Mt. Sterling, Ky., was closed last Saturday. It had a capital of \$25,000.

Mrs. Frank Eusted, at Des Moines, Iowa, gave away \$17, besides the coat which her husband appraised at \$15 to an old tramp who called at her home. The money was in one of the pockets of the old coat in which her husband put it for safe keeping.

Two cars of the Springfield and Hartford Railroad collided on a curve near Springfield, Mass. The motor-man was killed and thirty passengers were injured. The explosion of a moving picture machine in a small show window room at 1302 Pennsylvania avenue, Pittsburg, Pa., injured about thirty people. The loss did not exceed \$150.

Jas. M. Stohar, former joint agent of the Atlantic Coast Line railway in Gainesville, Fla., was arrested at that place on a charge of stealing \$7,500 but auditors who have been through his books say that he is short of \$40,000.

While workmen were pouring molten metal into a mold for a six ton casting at E. R. Cadwell & Co.'s foundry, Bradford, Pa., the bottom of the mold gave away and the metal exploded. They were very badly burned.

A banquet was given in honor of Allison's forty years of public service at Dubuque, Iowa. A large representation of the leading citizens of Iowa. A large representation of the leading citizens of Iowa tendered him the banquet.

Dr. Augustus C. Hamlin, one of the most prominent men in the State of Maine, died at Bangor at the age of seventy-six years. He was an author and an artist of note.

Judge Lorin Roberts of the record court at Traverse City, Mich., died there last Monday night of apoplexy. He was in his 60th year.

Mrs. Mary McDonalds of Philadelphia, celebrated her 134th anniversary week before last.

THE NIAGARA MOVEMENT.

On Thursday evening (Thanksgiving Day), November 30, at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, M street between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets northwest, the Niagara Movement will hold a memorial meeting to the Friends of Freedom, at which time Hon. Geo. H. White will deliver a eulogy on Albin W. Tourgee. Hon. D. K. Watson, of Ohio, will deliver a eulogy on William Lloyd Garrison, and Mr. L. M. Hershaw will deliver an address on the Niagara Movement. Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook will read Garrison's famous salutatory in the Liberator of January 1, 1831. A pleasing program of music, in which Miss Lola Johnson, Miss Beatriz L. Chase, Miss Nettie Murray, Mr. J. Gerold Tyler, Mr. Stanton Wormley, Mr. Winston Payne, Mr. Morison Goodrich and the Octette Club of Alexandria, Va., will take part.

The following gentlemen will be the officers of the meeting:
President, Hon. John F. Cook.
Vice Presidents—Lewis H. Douglass, Rev. M. W. Clair, Rev. O. L. Mitchell, Rev. R. F. Rivers, Rev. F. J. Grimke, Rev. Walter H. Brooks, Rev. W. J. Howard, Rev. A. C. Garner, Rev. T. J. Brown, Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, Rev. E. H. Hunter, L. Melendez King, Joseph H. Stewart, Thomas Walker, Wm. H. Richards, W. H. H. Hart, R. R. Horner, Wm. Calvin Chase, Rev. S. W. P. Drew, John A. Gray, Sr., F. H. M. Murray of Alexandria, Va., Emanuel M. Hewlett, Dr. Charles I. West, Dr. M. O. Dumas, Dr. E. D. Williston, Dr. J. R. Wilder, Dr. Robert W. Brown, Prof. Charles C. Cook, Thomas H. Wright, John A. Simms, John W. Cromwell, H. L. Bailey, M.D., Rev. W. V. Tunnell, Wm. C. Martin, Thomas A. Johnson, William L. Pollard, H. L. Livingston, George H. Richardson, Edward F. Arnold, Rev. Henry H. Warrington, A. W. Scott, Alexandria, Va.

Secretary—L. M. Hershaw.

Thomas H. Marshall, Jr., connected with one of the historic families of Maryland, died recently. It is said that the father of the deceased has lost all three of his children within the past six months of typhoid fever, except Thomas, whose death is due to bronchitis.

Haakon VII has been chosen the new King of Norway.

The resignation of Mr. Andrew H.

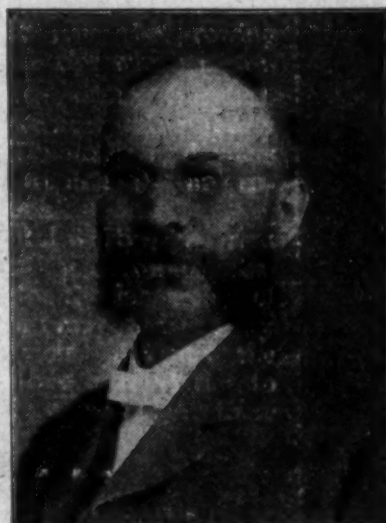
NEGRO NEWSPAPER MAN HIGHLY HONORED.

D. R. Wilkins, Editor of the Chicago Conservator, Will Help to Frame Chicago's New Charter.

And His Name Live in the History of the Great City with the Names of Great Men.

A UNIQUE HONOR.

Perhaps the only Negro who ever enjoyed the distinction of being named a delegate to a convention to frame a charter for a city of two million inhabitants is D. R. Wilkins, editor of the Chicago Conservator, whom Mayor



D. R. WILKINS.

Edward F. Dunne appointed Friday, November 10, to this exalted position. In making this appointment Mayor Dunne has given another exemplification of his belief and practice of the "square deal" policy. Had the Mayor taken a vote to ascertain the wishes of the people, he could not have made a more fitting selection, nor one more acceptable to the great body of Negro citizens who help to make up the enormous population of Chicago.

Editor Wilkins is being showered with the congratulations of his fellow citizens, both black and white, who glory in his high honor. These men look upon the editor of the Conservator as a manly representative of the race to which he belongs, and His Honor the Mayor in making the appointment thus sets his seal of approval upon manliness.

The charter convention will be called to order Dec. 12 and the sittings will last through the holidays. No convention was ever burdened with the framing of a charter of more far reaching importance. This because here by the lake shore is destined to grow the metropolis of the world.

Something of the importance of this appointment from a historical point of view may be gleaned when it is remembered that the name of D. R. Wilkins will rest in the archives of the city as long as Chicago stands. It is something therefore to be grateful for, that Mayor Dunne is that type of public official who believes in giving ALL the people representation, and has risen above petty party expediency to the high plane of civic obligation, appointing such men as will do their utmost to subserve the best interests of the municipality.

Assistant Secretaries—Fred Pelham, H. J. Pinkett, Henry P. Slaughter, Wm. L. Houston, F. B. Sims, Charles H. Shorter, William H. Davis, Shelby Dansen, Arthur S. Gray, William H. Ffossett, Rev. J. C. Waters.

JIM-CROWISM SOUTH.

Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 17, 1905. Attorney J. Douglas Wetmore, of Jacksonville, Fla., one of the brainiest lawyers in the South, who won the famous "Jim Crow" car case in Jacksonville, Fla., some time ago, has been retained to fight the recent "Jim Crow" car law that was passed by Pensacola City Council October 15, but on account of the quarantine, which was raised Saturday, November 18, could not begin his suit. On Monday, November 20, Attorney Wetmore and his partner went to Pensacola, Fla., and commenced the fight against the nefarious law. Full particulars will appear in The Bee next week.

Chas. J. Glidden and wife of Boston has so far traveled 25,000 miles with his automobile, traversing 24 countries, passing through 8,000 cities, towns and settlements.

Ex-Senator McLaurin of South Carolina says with the race question out, Dixie would vote solidly for the Presidents re-election.

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CURIOUS LEGAL POINT.

Shall Cremated Corpse Pay Same Rate for Carriage as Body in Coffin?

Paris.—A curious case now before a French tribunal involves a point which has not yet come up for legal settlement. A certain New York doctor, whose name thus far is withheld, recently accompanied a wealthy western American to Italy, where his patient after a lingering illness died.

In order to avoid the trouble and formalities of carrying the body to the United States in a coffin the doctor on his own authority had the corpse cremated. The ashes were placed in a small urn, which was then packed carefully and shipped as ordinary freight on which he paid the usual tariff according to weight.

The doctor landed on the American side all right, but the steamship company discovered his secret and demanded the price of carrying a dead body in a coffin, which amounts to nearly \$150 more than the doctor paid for the urn's transportation. This he refused and the case must be decided at Paris, since it was at a French port that the urn was shipped. The impression here is that the company will lose the case.

TO DUPLICATE EVERY GUN.

Precaution That Is Deemed Necessary by the Naval General Board.

Washington.—Every gun in the navy will have its duplicate to guard against any emergency and accident, if the recommendation of the naval chief of ordnance is carried out.

The naval general board, it is believed, thoroughly approves of it, and consequently the naval estimates to go before the next congress may contain a formidable item to cover the cost of producing the new guns.

Such accidents as have happened in recent years, particularly to the big turret guns of the battleships, would compel the ship to go into action in disabled condition or be laid up for months in a navy yard. The idea is to keep spare guns in stock at convenient points to immediately replace the damaged ones.

Growth of Things Out West.

A correspondent of the Checotah (I. T.) Times, and for whose veracity that paper vouches, tells the following: "The terrible news comes from the western part of the Cherokee Nation that a boy climbed a cornstalk to see how the corn was getting along, and now the corn is growing up faster than the boy can climb down. The boy is clear out of sight. Three men have undertaken to cut the stalk down with axes and save the boy from starvation, but it grows so fast that they can't back twice in the same place. The boy is living on nothing but raw corn and already has thrown down over four bushels of cobs."

Decorated Chef.

King Edward's chef, M. Menager, was among those to receive birthday honor on the occasion of his majesty's recent birthday. He is believed to be among the most accomplished chefs in the world. He was decorated with the Victorian medal. Other recipients of that distinction are understood to feel that in conferring the medal on a cook King Edward has rather cheapened the honor.

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What has become of those vanished argosies? Whither have they gone? When the seas give up their old ocean lays bare its secrets.



human skeletons, the virgin gold, the priceless gems, the costly jewels, and the wrecks of those vanished ships will be found strewn amid the tremendous passes and deep defiles of those submerged mountain ranges which are the backbones of lost continents, upon those topmost peaks, projecting near the surface of the seas, these lost convoys have been dashed to destruction! The mariner's compass and the navigator's chart have not been able to protect commerce from the wreck and ruin of these submerged riders, but the good

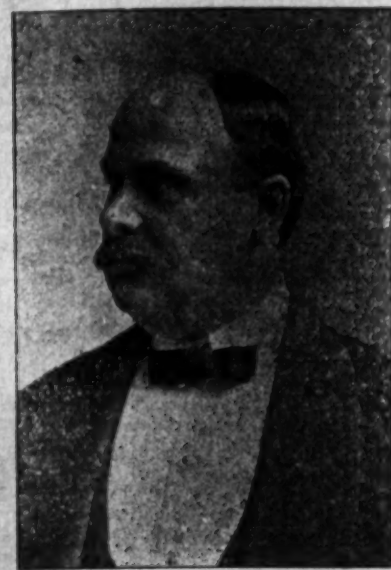


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A special cablegram announces the arrival of Charles J. Gildren, the Boston millionaire, in Paris from Java, completing an automobile tour of the world. He covered 25,000 miles by auto in 210 days, passing through 24 countries and 8,000 cities, towns and villages. Besides he traveled 24,627 miles by water, which alone took 78 days. He carried the American flag to Upper Torneo, in the Arctic circle, in Sweden, and to Bluff, New Zealand. Mr. Gildren was accompanied by his wife and a machinist. He plans a tour of Africa this fall.

Rich Girl Wife of an Indian.
It has developed that Miss Ida Theresa Kenton, the daughter of a rich Philadelphia manufacturer, has been married to a young Indian, a son of a chief, for nearly two years at Andover and in Arizona.

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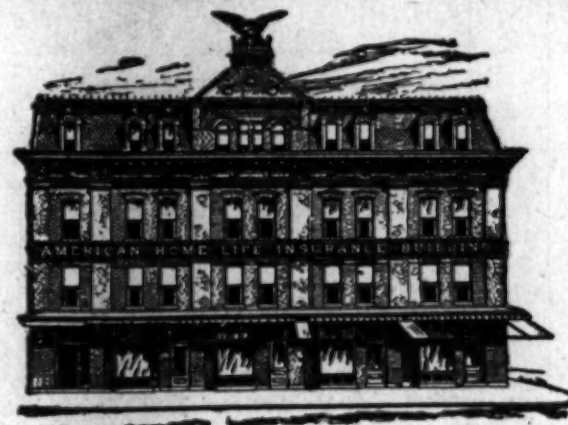
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Springfield, Neb.—Harry Edmundson, a well-to-do negro living two miles from here, and Mason Peters, a rich stockman, of Kansas City, met a few days ago for the first time in over 41 years since 1864. Then Harry, at the age of four years, had recently been presented to Mason Peters, the eldest son of Ashby Peters, of Clay county, Mo., on whose homestead the boy was born in slavery.

Together with his mother and five brothers and sisters, Harry had been sold at auction, but Mrs. Peters had taken a fancy to the little fellow, and at her intercession he was not delivered to his new masters, but was allowed to remain on the old homestead and was given as a present to the elder son of the family.

Soon after his mother, calling him six children to her, set out to seek her own and their freedom, having lost faith in Uncle Sam. They made their way to what is now Kansas City, Kan., where they found friends and Harry "just grewed." Now he is the happy possessor of a wife and family and a fine 80-acre farm.

Through a newspaper clipping Edmundson recently located his old master and in response to a letter received an invitation to pay him a visit. The invitation was accepted and the one time slave had a pleasant time with his former owner. He has just returned to his Nebraska home.

MAKE FIGHT ON LAZY WORM

Porto Ricans Are Enthusiastic Over Medical Success—Experiment a Good One.

Washington.—That the people of Porto Rico have become thoroughly awakened and enthusiastic in their desire and endeavor to rid themselves of the scourge of anaemia, popularly designated the "lazy worm" affliction, is indicated in a report just received by the surgeon general of the army from Capt. B. K. Ashford, who is expending \$15,000 this year in a campaign against that malady.

During the months of June, July and August nearly 10,000 patients had been treated, with cures in nearly every instance. In August at the medical station in Alibonito exactly one-third of the population was treated. This number was 2,482, of whom only six died, 716 were discharged as fully cured, while the majority of the remainder are on the road to recovery.

The effect of the disease is to render the victim absolutely unfit for work. The disease gradually wastes away the tissues, during which time the afflicted becomes a public charge on the community. The natives believe this wasting away was from lack of food and ridiculed the idea that a cure could be effected through the use of medicine. Besides administering a cure, the medical corps under Dr. Ashford has been conducting a campaign of education in regard to sanitation. This is later to be followed with a law on the subject from which great good is expected.

CALLS HIS WIFE A WITCH.

Russian, Believing Neighbor's Stories, Refuses to Live with Helpmeet—Woman Pleads Innocence.

Freeland, Pa.—Andrew Fitchik, a Russian living at Drifton, brought his wife to the office of Dr. J. B. Houston here and asked the physician to examine her, claiming she is bewitched. He said his neighbors for months had been tormenting him about her, but until lately he did not believe them. Now he joined with them in believing that she was "possessed," and unless the doctor could do something he would no longer live with her.

Dr. Houston went to make the requested examination. Fitchik could not be persuaded to believe that his neighbors were wrong, as well as himself, and declared that he no longer recognized the woman as his wife, and would not live with her.

The neighbors have accused her of an evil power, and threatened to kill her. The poor woman says her neighbors have influenced the husband against her, and denies being the author of the alleged ill of which she is accused.

RARE CONTINENTAL BILLS.

Washington Newspaper Writer Owns Collection Dating Back to 1785—Received from New England.

Washington.—Col. Ezra Nat. Hill, a newspaper writer of this city, has come into possession of some rare and valuable pieces of continental money which he has been exhibiting to his acquaintances. One of the notes was issued by the city of Albany, N. Y., March 26, 1791, and the legend "Three Pence" is printed across its face in old style type.

Another note of similar value was issued by the city of Philadelphia in 1797, while a quaint bill on aged yellowed paper was issued by the state of Massachusetts "Bay" in 1785, and calls for "one Spanish milled dollar." Another note, issued by the same state, calls for "two Spanish milled dollars," and still another demands seven of the dollars of the dons.

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CURIOUS LEGAL POINT.

Shall Cremated Corpse Pay Same Rate for Carriage as Body in Coffin?

Paris.—A curious case now before a French tribunal invokes a point which has not yet come up for legal settlement. A certain New York doctor, whose name thus far is withheld, recently accompanied a wealthy western American to Italy, where his patient after a lingering illness died.

In order to avoid the trouble and formalities of carrying the body to the United States in a coffin the doctor on his own authority had the corpse cremated. The ashes were placed in a small urn, which was then packed carefully and shipped as ordinary freight on which he paid the usual tariff according to weight.

The doctor landed on the American side all right, but the steamship company discovered his secret and demanded the price of carrying a dead body in a coffin, which amounts to nearly \$150 more than the doctor paid for the urn's transportation. This he refused and the case must be decided at Paris, since it was at a French port that the urn was shipped. The impression here is that the company will lose the case.

TO DUPLICATE EVERY GUN.

Precaution That Is Deemed Necessary by the Naval General Board.

Washington.—Every gun in the navy will have its duplicate to guard against any emergency and accident, if the recommendation of the naval chief of ordnance is carried out.

The naval general board, it is believed, thoroughly approves of it, and consequently the naval estimates to go before the next congress may contain a formidable item to cover the cost of producing the new guns.

Such accidents as have happened in recent years, particularly to the big turret guns of the battleships, would compel the ship to go into action in disabled condition or be laid up for months in a navy yard. The idea is to keep spare guns in stock at convenient points to immediately replace the damaged ones.

Growth of Things Out West.

A correspondent of the Checotah (I. T.) Times, and for whose veracity that paper vouches, tells the following: "The terrible news comes from the western part of the Cherokee Nation that a boy climbed a cornstalk to see how the corn was getting along, and now the corn is growing up faster than the boy can climb down. The boy is clear out of sight. Three men have undertaken to cut the stalk down with axes and save the boy from starvation but it grows so fast that they can't back twice in the same place. The boy is living on nothing but raw corn and already has thrown down over four bushels of cobs."

Decorated Chef.

King Edward's chef, M. Menager, was among those to receive birthday honor on the occasion of his majesty's recent birthday. He is believed to be among the most accomplished chefs in the world. He was decorated with the Victorian medal. Other recipients of that distinction are understood to feel that in conferring the medal on a cook King Edward has rather cheapened the honor.

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human skeletons, the virgin gold, the priceless gems, the costly jewels, and the wrecks of those vanished ships will be found strewn amid the tremendous passes and deep defiles of those submerged mountain ranges which are the backbones of lost continents, upon those topmost peaks, projecting near the surface of the seas, these lost convoys have been dashed to destruction! The mariner's compass and the navigator's chart have not been able to protect commerce from the wreck and ruin of these submerged ridges, but the good

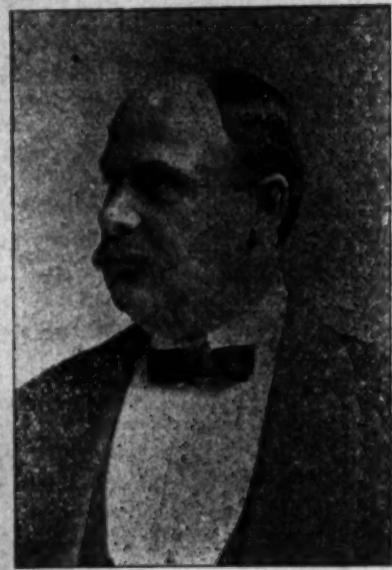


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Tours World in Auto.
A special cablegram announces the arrival of Charles J. Glidden, the Boston millionaire, in Paris from Java, completing an automobile tour of the world. He covered 25,000 miles by auto in 210 days, passing through 24 countries and 8,000 cities, towns and villages. Besides he traveled 24,627 miles by water, which alone took 78 days. He carried the American flag to Upper Torneo, in the Arctic circle, in Sweden, and to Bluff, New Zealand. Mr. Glidden was accompanied by his wife and a machinist. He plans a tour of Africa this fall.

Rich Girl Wife of an Indian.
It has developed that Miss Anna Theresa Kenton, the daughter of a rich Philadelphia manufacturer, has been the wife of A. H. Nash, an Indian, for nearly two years. She is reported to have been married at Andover and is now in Pennsylvania.

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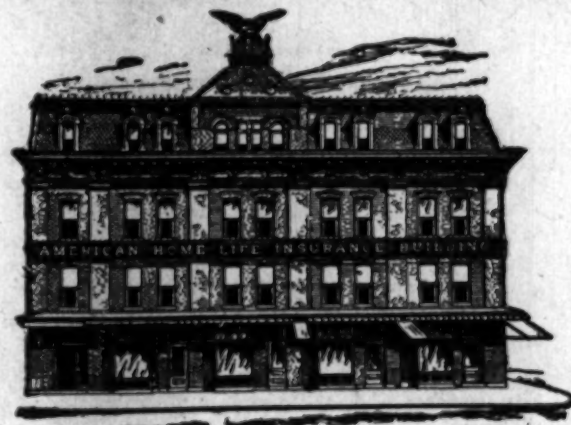
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NOTICE.
To all Departments of the I. O. N. I. C. of A. Fraternal, the semi-annual pass word is ready for all Departments. Send for it at once. See Ritual, page 13.

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Evergreen Department, No. 240, meet at Red Fish, La., the 1st and 3rd Friday in each month. A. T. Finley, W. P. P.; Chas. Dupar, F. V. P.; A. L. Finley, W. C. S.

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EX-SLAVE MEETS MASTER.

Southern Negro Encounters Man Who Owned Him More Than Forty Years Ago.

Springfield, Neb.—Harry Edmundson, a well-to-do negro living two miles from here, and Mason Peters, a rich stockman, of Kansas City, met a few days ago for the first time in over 41 years since 1864. Then Harry, at the age of four years, had recently been presented to Mason Peters, the eldest son of Ashby Peters, of Clay county, Mo., on whose homestead the boy was born in slavery.

Together with his mother and five brothers and sisters, Harry had been sold at auction, but Mrs. Peters had taken a fancy to the little fellow, and at her intercession he was allowed to remain on the old homestead and was given as a present to the elder son of the family.

Soon after his mother, calling her six children to her, set out to seek her own and their freedom, having lost faith in Uncle Sam. They made their way to what is now Kansas City, Kan., where they found friends and Harry "just grewed." Now he is the happy possessor of a wife, and family and a fine 80-acre farm.

Through a newspaper clipping Edmundson recently located his old master and in response to a letter received an invitation to pay him a visit. The invitation was accepted and the one time slave had a pleasant time with his former owner. He has just returned to his Nebraska home.

MAKE FIGHT ON LAZY WORM

Porto Ricans Are Enthusiastic Over Medical Success—Experiment a Good One.

Washington.—That the people of Porto Rico have become thoroughly awakened and enthusiastic in their desire and endeavor to rid themselves of the scourge of anæmia, popularly designated the "lazy worm" affliction, is indicated in a report just received by the surgeon general of the army from Capt. B. K. Ashford, who is expending \$15,000 this year in a campaign against that malady.

During the months of June, July and August nearly 10,000 patients had been treated, with cures in nearly every instance. In August at the medical station in Alonito exactly one-third of the population was treated. This number was 2,482, of whom only six died, 716 were discharged as fully cured, while the majority of the remainder are on the road to recovery.

The effect of the disease is to render the victim absolutely unfit for work. The disease gradually wastes away the tissues, during which time the afflicted becomes a public charge on the community. The natives believe this wasting away was from lack of food and ridiculed the idea that a cure could be effected through the use of medicine. Besides administering a cure, the medical corps under Dr. Ashford has been conducting a campaign of education in regard to sanitation. This is later to be followed with a law on the subject from which great good is expected.

CALLS HIS WIFE A WITCH.

Russian, Believing Neighbor's Stories, Refuses to Live with Helpmeet—Woman Pleads Innocence.

Freeland, Pa.—Andrew Fitchik, a Russian living at Drifton, brought his wife to the office of Dr. J. B. Houston here and asked the physician to examine her, claiming she is bewitched. He said his neighbors for months had been tormenting him about her, but until lately he did not believe them. Now he joined with them in believing that she was "possessed," and unless the doctor could do something he would no longer live with her.

Dr. Houston refused to make the requested examination. Fitchik could not be persuaded to believe that his neighbors were wrong as well as himself, and declared that he no longer recognized the woman as his wife, and would not live with her.

The neighbors have accused her of an evil power, and threatened to kill her. The poor woman says her neighbors have influenced the husband against her, and denies being the author of the alleged ill of which she is accused.

RARE CONTINENTAL BILLS.

Washington Newspaper Writer Owns Collection Dating Back to 1795—Received from New England.

Washington.—Col. Ezra Nat. Hill, a newspaper writer of this city, has come into possession of some rare and valuable pieces of continental money which he has been exhibiting to his acquaintances. One of the notes was issued by the city of Albany, N. Y., March 26, 1791, and the legend "Three Pence" is printed across its face in old style type.

Another note of similar value was issued by the city of Philadelphia in 1797, while a quaint bill on aged yellow paper was issued by "the state of Massachusetts Bay" in 1785, and calls for "one Spanish milled dollar." Another note, issued by the same state, calls for "two Spanish milled dollars," and still another demands seven of the dollars of the done.

Col. Hill says this queer and interesting continental money was sent to him by a friend in New England.

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NON-APPRECIATIVE.

There are nearly ninety thousand colored people in this city, of all classes and denominations. Many of them are in business, many are professionals, and many are citizens of high moral standing. Notwithstanding the high moral and intellectual character of these people there are thousands of them non-appreciative. There have been dozens of newspapers started in this city in the interest of this people, but to the surprise of many of the publishers their papers have not been supported. The colored people in this city, that is the majority of them, have no respect for their own papers. And no truer words were ever spoken than those by Mr. Crosby, who addressed the Bethel Literary Society a few evenings ago. Every person who doesn't publish a paper or who has never had any knowledge or experience in the publication of a newspaper can always suggest to a publisher an idea as to how a paper should be published. There have been some excellent papers published in this city, such as some colored people regard clean papers. Their idea of a clean paper is one that will not expose their raciality. Whenever a paper published by colored men will publish the truth about an individual, the paper is regarded a dirty sheet. On the other hand, if a paper published by white men exposes the wrongs of the colored man, the natural presumption is that it is true and the colored man gets just what he deserved. Why should a colored man be permitted to commit an offense and go unpunished any more than a white man? Why should any race of people be allowed to commit an offense and be upheld? Is that fair to civilization? Is it just and proper to a community that any man or woman should be vindicated of an offense of which he or she is guilty? The colored churches do not support their own denomination papers. Societies are likewise non-appreciative of their own journals. There are three great beneficial organizations in this country, perhaps the greatest in the world among the colored people, namely, The Grand United Order of True Reformers; The Independent Order of St. Lukes, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. These are three of the strongest organizations in this country and each organization has a journal. These papers are not supported by the membership of these organizations as they should be. All of them are doing more to advance the interest of the people than any other institution in the country. The Odd Fellows' Journal, with all of its support from the organizations throughout the country, does not make that showing as it should. It has influence and money behind it. The other two journals, the St. Luke's Herald and The True Reformer, should have a subscription list of one hundred thousand. The time has come for the negro to support his own enterprises and not depend so much upon the white race.

ASLEEP AT THEIR POSTS.

Ever since emancipation the colored people have been asleep. They have just awakened from a slumber and have concluded that they have made but little use of their opportunities. Politics and false political representatives and leaders have misled them.

Instead of accumulating property and establishing a business, the colored citizens have been asleep at their posts. The white man has been working to live, while the colored man has been working to die. The white man has been eating to enable him to live, while the colored man has been consuming everything that has been produced and saved nothing. It is not what you earn that will enable one to live, but what you save from what you earn. From present indications, the colored man is doing everything now to establish a business credit in the country and the community in which he lives. He has come to the conclusion that he must establish a credit in the community in which he lives. Present conditions show that business enterprises in this city are on the increase. The colored citizens are beginning to feel proud of themselves. Drug stores are on the increase. There are some of the finest drug stores conducted by colored citizens that anyone would desire to see. The Bee takes this opportunity in naming Mrs. Dr. Gray at the True Reformers' Building. This is one of the finest drug stores in the city. There is the Davis Brothers, 11th and U streets, N. W. Both of these young men are enterprising. There is Dr. H. L. Harris, in South Washington, who is not only a first-class druggist but a manufacturer. There is Dr. H. L. Smith, at the corner of 7th and Potomac, who has won by a hard fight against opposition. There are several grocery stores kept by enterprising colored men. The leader among them is Mr. Hammond, 1622 11th street, N. W. This man has seen a number of co-operative stores fail. He has been alone in the business for a number of years. He should be commended for his enterprise. Among the professional dentists in the city we have a number who are doing well. Dr. Sumner Wormley has an establishment of which any one should feel proud. He is above the ordinary. Physicians are numerous and are doing well. The lawyers are doing remarkably well. The lawyers have every reason to feel proud. The colored man in the real estate field is doing well also. There are numerous life insurances. A few years ago the monopoly in the insurance business. The colored citizens are no longer asleep at their posts. They have opened their eyes and today their advance in business is onward and upward. The citizen has a great deal to learn yet.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

The objections raised by the opposition to Dr. John Gordon of Howard University are many and from what The Bee has been informed, they are these: The opposition objects to Dr. Gordon remaining at Howard University because he was, it is claimed brought from a small institution in the West where he was receiving \$1,600 per year and given \$5,000 per annum as president of Howard University. The trustees of Howard University are responsible for this. It is also claimed that Dr. Gordon is paid \$1,000 for traveling expenses, \$900 for a clerk or private secretary, and also an extra teacher paid \$1,500 to do the teaching which they claim Dr. Gordon should do. It is also contended that the charter of the university has been changed, which will enable the Board of Trustees to be changed at any time or the institution revolutionized within three years. To what extent this is true The Bee is not in a position to know. They also object and question the propriety of Dr. Hamlin being elected president of the trustee board, which had no existence up to the close of Dr. Rankin's administration. Dr. Rankin did not show any particular love for the negro after he resigned from the pastorate of the First Congregational Church. This was evidenced from the treatment that Prof. J. M. Gregory received, who was more than instrumental in placing Dr. Rankin at the head of the institution. The moment Dr. Rankin was made president he was like Buckingham to the Duke of Gloster, and like Othello his occupation was now gone. The investigating committee will be called upon to investigate the going of the funds, which the opposition claims

have been expended. There must be a law governing the board of trustees that no money can be appropriated without the consent of a majority vote of the board of trustees.

That Howard University is badly in need of money for current expenses for repairs of buildings and teachers' homes, and even for the pay of some of the teachers' salaries, is believed.

Is it wise that such a large sum of money should be absorbed when there are imperative needs in other departments of the university?

The opposition claims that Dr. Gordon is color prejudiced. There seems to be a division of sentiment in this regard. Many of the students and visitors to the university claim that Dr. Gordon is doing all he can to improve, reform and build up Howard University. The Bee is not on the inside, and it will wait for the report of the investigating committee.

ALL FOR THE WIZARD.

The following paragraph from the Atlanta Independent, one of Booker Washington's organs, explains Booker's interest in the William Lloyd Garrison Centenary:

"What are the leaders doing, Dr. Proctor, toward celebrating the 100th anniversary of Wm. Lloyd Garrison? Dr. Proctor, the personal friend of Dr. Washington, ought to lead off."

Booker is looking for "friends," is seeking to magnify himself, is ambitious for leadership, hence he places himself under the banner of Garrison. As we stated some weeks ago, we would like to see all factions of the race rally about the name of Garrison and consecrate themselves to the cause of manhood rights and human equality. This is right; this is commendable. But it is nothing short of sacrilege to use the name of Garrison to promote petty aims and personal ambition. There is not a single point of resemblance between the methods of Booker Washington and the methods of William Lloyd Garrison; between the principles and those of the apostle of "immediate emancipation." Garrison's name is a synonym for agitation; Booker Washington's name is a synonym for compromise and submission. We wonder if Dr. Proctor will "lead off," in order to show that he is a "personal friend" of Dr. Washington. The idea of such a thing makes one recall the saying, "The more I know of men, the better I like dogs." From the Bookerite point of view the Garrison Centenary is not to be observed to teach lessons of liberty and humanity, but rather to emphasize the desire of Booker Washington to "boss" the colored people of the country. We thank The Independent, however, for this frank intimation of purpose. It will do good. Keep it up, Ben.

SERVING TWO MASTERS.

We publish in another column a criticism of a speech of Prof. Kelly Miller's delivered recently in New Haven. Prof. Miller has a trained mind and quite remarkable powers of expression. His recent answer to Tom Dixon will rank as a prize composition; but from a controversial point of view it was an exhibition of skillful flanking rather than a courageous frontal attack. On the main issue raised by the man Dixon, Prof. Miller, by implication, at least confessed and avoided. This is his characteristic attitude of mind; to avoid an issue; to refrain from taking sides; to appear to agree with his adversary; to entertain no opinion which may by any possibility offend anybody, especially if that body have influence and power.

As a consequence, you never see the Professor forcing the fighting, nor formulating a course of conduct in any circumstances. After a policy has divided men, and resulted in much discussion on both sides, Prof. Miller will come along and, in a well written article restate the arguments of each party with such skill and rhetorical finish that uninstructed people often think the arguments originated with him. This sort of work is useful, but it is not creative or original.

As to the Niagara Movement, Professor Miller had better keep quiet because when it succeeds, as it is sure to do, he will be claiming that he has always stood for its principles.

We would not like to remind the Professor of his self-effacement and backward race theories, but if he persists in hurling sarcasm at the Niagara Movement, he shall have to recall these.

JOHN P. GREEN.

The negro is a peculiar being. Here is a man who has made a good record as a public officer. He is competent, faithful and honest and above everything else he has been a social and business factor among the people in this city ever since his appointment to the position he now holds in the Post Office Department. He has committed no offense; he has harmed no one and he has bothered no one since his stay in this city, and yet there are colored men who are elated because it is stated that his office will be abolished at the end of the year or the first of next year. Honest and well thinking people among the white people like to see a progressive man elevated. Some colored people like to see men, no matter what their offenses are, elevated. They will applaud a profligate and condemn a gentleman in many instances. Why should the office of stamp agent be abolished? The late President McKinley thought there should be one and why should not President Roosevelt? The Bee has the most implicit confidence in Postmaster Cortelyou, and firmly believes that he will give Mr. Green a position equally as good as the one he now holds if his office should be abolished. Mr. Green is one of the bravest negroes in the United States. He is no apologist, and neither is he a trimmer. He is a man, and if he should be retired, the country can say one thing of him, and that is, he is an American citizen, although his skin is dark, and he may be needed again.

THE LACY CASE.

In a local paragraph in the Evening Star of November 21st, it stated that Henry Lacy had been found guilty on two counts and vindicated on others and that his friends will ask the Commissioners to mitigate the sentence of dismissal. The Bee will say that on no count of the charges could a mitigation of the sentence be justly considered. The trial board under no condition could have done otherwise and the Commissioners could not mitigate the sentence if they so desired. The duty of the Commissioners in this case, as Christian gentlemen, after accepting the findings of the trial board, is to refer the matter to the United States District Attorney. They would be justified in so doing and there is no doubt that the attorneys for the prosecuting witness in the case will do so if the Commissioners do not. Any one of the counts would be sufficient cause for removal notwithstanding as the Star stated that he was vindicated on the other counts. Because he is a colored man is no reason that he that a white man who has been considered receive any more consideration connected with the detective department. Major Sylvester has no more favorites among black men than he has among white men. Colored officers should be disciplined as well as white officers. White men are dismissed from the force on account of offenses committed, why not colored officers? The Bee can see no reason for his retention on the force, after he has been previously warned and found guilty for a second offense.

REV. S. P. DREW.

Rev. Simon P. W. Drew, D.D., pastor of the Cosmopolitan Church, may not be gifted with oratory, but there is one thing certain, he is a remarkable worker for humanity. He doesn't reach after those who have a plenty of this world's goods, but he goes into the huts and hovels and lifts up the fallen and does all in his power to elevate them. The man or woman who has a plenty does not seek to help the poor and neither does he or she think about the poor in the alleys. Rev. Drew came to this city a little over a year ago and at that time every minister in the city paid him honor. But that grim monster jealousy soon took possession of many of them, and when Rev. Drew found himself the combined ministry was fighting him. Notwithstanding this

great opposition to him, his faithful followers brought him out victorious. He is now arranging to build a church of a most commodious magnitude. This church will be for the poor people. In connection with this church he hopes to erect an old folks' home, an institution that is greatly needed in this city among the colored people. The Bee is confident that he will succeed in this new undertaking as he has in all other enterprises. There are thousands of good people in this city, white and colored, who will aid in promoting worthy enterprises.

THE TEACHERS' BULLETIN.

We are very glad to note the publication of the Teachers' College Bulletin, edited by the faculty and students of the Teachers' College. This department of Howard University is engaged in training colored teachers to go into the South and lift up the people. The dean of this college is Dr. L. B. Moore, who stands as a moral force in the community at large as well as in Howard University.

NEWS AND COMMENTS.

From The Guardian.
Mr. W. T. Menard, working as the Washington, D. C., correspondent of the Florida Sentinel, in his list of men whom the various States could "spare" for the vacancy at Bahia, Brazil, says of The Guardian's editor: "There are lots of folks who would like to get William M. Trotter, of the Boston Guardian, out of the country." Doubtless.

GOOD NEWS.

From The Star.
In this city the negroes are keeping abreast with the times in all things touching their welfare. At the last election the negro vote in Newport News was exactly double what it was in the previous election.

From The Frederick Hornet.
The Hornet believes that the good white men and the good colored men, everywhere, should join forces, no matter what their politics may be; this is the only way to make this country what it should be. The principal evils we are made to suffer come to us through the bad men of both races. Put a pin in this, please.

A NEW COMPANY.
From The Newport News Star.
The following gentlemen met at Hampton, Va., an organized what will be known as The American Problem Publishing Company, with the following officers:

Rev. James H. Smith, B. D., president; Mr. Wm. F. Hill, vice-president; Rev. Joseph Gwynn, B. D., editor and manager; Rev. G. C. Taylor, D.D., assistant editor and secretary; Mr. J. W. Washington, assistant secretary; Mr. W. H. Robinson, treasurer.
The first issue will appear about December 1.
CENTENARIAN DEAD.
From The Boston Guardian.
Mrs. Mary Ann Van Dyke, born a slave, March 14, 1791, in the Cortelyou family at Hamilton, N. Y., died recently in her home in Brooklyn, N. Y., at the extraordinary age of 114 years, and yet until a full week before her death she had had good health. Until well into her 80's she had gone out to work every day, washing, ironing and scrubbing, and had just been making preparations to enter the Old Folks' Home for Colored People, in Brooklyn, when she died. This very old woman had a good memory, and while she did not, like Joyce Heth, claim to have been a nurse to George Washington, she did delight to mention the times in which she had waited on him at the table.

A THIEF.
From The Christian Index.
A ministerial thief steals the language and thought of others and tries to impress the people that it is his own. He is an adept at plagiarism and his sermons are too bookish. He often uses Hebrew, Greek and Latin when he has not a thorough normal training, can not conjugate a Greek verb in "aorist or middle tense," and does not know a letter in Hebrew and have never studied Caesar. Scholarly men and women are disgusted at such seating. The proverbial expression "A little learning is a dangerous thing" is veritably true. See! See! Hear! Hear! Ye thief!
EDITOR BROAD AX ARRESTED.
From The Illinois Idea.
Julius F. Taylor editor and publisher of the Broad Ax, and chairman of the Cook County Colored Democracy, was arrested on a libel charge preferred by "Poney" Moore yesterday. The charge grew out of utterances in the paper which are said to have led to the revocation of Moore's saloon license.

OBITUARY.
From The Weekly Guide.
Mrs. Ellen Waller, the beloved mother of Lawyer Joseph W. Rev. Garnett R., Maurice D., Thos. S., Alexander T., Rev. Dr. Owen M. and

Dr. Berkeley C. Waller, departed this life, aged 77 years, after a brief illness on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1905, at the residence of her son, Rev. G. R. Waller, D.D., 325 E. 23rd street.

For over a quarter of a century Mrs. Waller was a devout communicant of St. Mary's P. E. Church, this For over thirty years she was a resident of Baltimore. Upon the death of her husband in the early seventies, she came here from Virginia, in order to provide the better opportunity for the education of her children.

Mrs. Waller was a woman of heroic character and of untiring industry. She was highly respected by all classes of people in this community. For many years she was called upon to battle with the difficulties that confront any numerous young family in their high aspirations, but that her efforts were crowned with success, one need only to look for the evidence in the splendid services her seven sons are rendering to their respected communities.

For several years past she had made her home with her son Garnett, who in common with the others was ever solicitous for her comfort and happiness. Her funeral took place from St. Mary's Church on Friday, Nov. 17. Requiem Mass was sung at 10 A. M. by Father Cameron. Interment was in St. Zion Cemetery. Messrs. Hughes, Roholdt, Warfield and Thomas were pallbearers.

JUDGE KIMBALL NOT SUSTAINED.

Section 394 of the District Code, provides that no Police Court Judge shall have the power to impose Accumulative Sentences to be served in the District Jail aggregating more than eleven months and twenty-nine days. Some time ago Judge Kimball of the Police Court, imposed sentences upon a man by the name of Robert Lang aggregating a year and six months in the District Jail. After Lang had served one year of that imprisonment, his attorneys, A. W. Scott and M. T. Clinkscales, promptly applied for a Writ of Habeas Corpus, which was granted by Judge Barnard of the Supreme Court of the District, and upon hearing the defendant, Lang, was promptly discharged from custody. On the 14th of last January, two men by the names of William Nixon and Herbert Peters, pleaded guilty in the Police court to six informations. At that time, they were sentenced upon three of the said informations aggregating eleven months and twenty-nine days in the District Jail. On Friday last, the said defendants were again brought from the District Jail before Judge Kimball, who formerly sentenced them and sentenced them upon the remaining three informations to imprisonment in the District Jail for a period of six months. Lawyers Scott and Clinkscales, immediately applied to Judge Barnard for Writs of Habeas Corpus, praying for the release of the said defendants upon the grounds that they were illegally restrained of their liberty, in that the Judge had exceeded his power in sentencing them for a period in the aggregate of more than a year in jail and that it was clearly evident that the Judge in these cases had attempted to evade the spirit and letter of section 934 of the District Code. The Writs were ordered issued by Judge Barnard on Saturday last, and made returnable Monday afternoon at three o'clock. At the hearing, the presiding Justice, after patiently listening to lengthy arguments on both sides, stated that he was of the opinion that the Police Judge had attempted to evade section 934 of the District Code, and had exceeded his power in sentencing the defendants for a period aggregating more than a year in jail, and thereupon promptly ordered that the said William Nixon and Herbert Peters be discharged from custody.

The government has noted Appeals in both of these cases, and the Attorneys in this case have assured the representative of the Bee that they intend to follow up these cases and if necessary to go in their own pockets as they have already done, so that not only their clients will be accorded full justice but the public in general. The Bee therefore finds exceeding pleasure in commending them for their deep Race Pride, and in congratulating them upon this victory. The government was represented by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, McNamara, one of the most talented men at the bar.

THE FARMER'S LIFE.

From The New York Journal.
The farmer's life's the life fer me. Without no patches on my knee, But like the millionaire from town That comes down here an' strolls around The "model farm" o' his, an' shows His hands the way to hoe the rows. The farmer's life's the life fer me, With blooded stock an' two or three Big horseless carriages to whirl Me into town to see my girl, An' stop along the route to squint Up through a glass with hints o' mint. The farmer's life's the life fer me— To go to bed at two or three O'clock the way some farmers do, An' git up when I wanted to, I reckon I could kind o' smile An' stand the farmer's life a while.



Baptist Church. Monday night, Dr. A. Wilhauki; Tuesday, 8 P. M., Rev. John Richard; Wednesday, Rev. Geo. W. Lee, D.D., L.L.D.; Thursday, 8 P. M., Rev. S. L. Corrothers, D.D.; Friday, 8 P. M., Rev. Walter H. Brooks, D.D.; 4th Sunday, 11 A. M., Rev. Jas. H. Lee, D.D.; 8 P. M., Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, D.D. It is hoped that the occasion may be a grand one.

MONACAN CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS.

The Monacan Club at its annual meeting elected officers as follows: President, Dr. C. S. Harrison; vice-president, W. E. Cobb; secretary, W. L. Wilkinson; treasurer, Robert T. Douglas.

SOCIAL CHIT CHAT.

Boys, you may say what you may, but December 4, 5 and 6 will surely come. This question must be answered: "Are you one of the band wagon? Don't you hear the music?"

The password is, "What's the matter with William I. Lee?" It is whispered that he is all right. All right for what? Wait and see.

From reliable sources we hear that Mr. Oliver R. Rogers has enough votes already to safely land him in the secretary's chair.

The committee of the Waiters and ex-Waiters Relief Association has nearly perfected plans for its reception in the near future. Mr. James H. Payne, chairman, tells us that he has a hustling committee.

Rumor has it that Mr. A. H. Brooks, of the Y. M. I. R. A., is in the hands of his friends and is in the field to stay.

Mr. D. A. Clark's friends tell us that they are going to make the fight for life December 5.

Mr. William A. Carter, the tonsorial artist of West Washington, D. C., informs us that he is going to carry his lunch with him on December 6 and prepare himself for battle.

What's the matter with the Garnet School? She is all right.

How about the Stevens School? She is coming right along.

Our good friend, James L. Turner, has settled down to business once more in this life. We wish you much success, Jimmy.

Some of the boys were out in their new overcoats last Sunday. They are the real thing, and you know they had the military style coat. Just out. That's right, boys, come clean.

They say Rev. Dr. Norman, of the Metropolitan Baptist Church, will preach the annual sermon of the Young Ladies' Protective League the second Sunday in December.

ODD FELLOWS' LYCEUM.

Miss Marie A. D. Madre will speak at the opening of Odd Fellows' Lyceum, Sunday, November 26th, 1905, at 3 o'clock P. M., at Odd Fellows' Hall, M street, N. W. Subject will be interesting to all. Music will be furnished by the Amanda Smith Choir I. O. of Luke, as follows:

Georgia Mackell, Abbie Webb, Elizabeth Thomas, Martha Liggins, Marie Morgan, Lettie Lee, Saddle Hall, Hellen B. Madre, Lulu Tibbs, Mrs. Moore, Bertie G. Massenburg, Marie A. D. Fadre, J. T. Newman, Scott Mayo, Joseph Wilson, John Lenos, G. Addison Turner, Purnell Jefferson, William Tibbs.

Mr. Harry Harris will preside.

THOU SHALT NOT STEAL

Lawyer L. G. Gregory addressed a very appreciative audience at the Lyceum of the Second Baptist Church on last Sunday afternoon. His subject, as announced, was the eighth item of the Decalogue, "Thou shalt not steal," and proved to be a dissertation on that form of stealing in high circles known as "graft" and other kindred forms of theft. Mr. Gregory spoke of the immense power and extent of trusts. He spoke of the men foremost in the reform movement: Lawson, Dunne, Weaver, Hearst, Folk, La Follette, and last, but not least, President Roosevelt, in their efforts to stamp out this evil.

The officers responsible for the insolvency of the colored banking institution came in for their share of exhortation. The paper excited quite an animated discussion, in which Messrs. Cooper, Mathews, Newson, Brown, Ficklin, Rich and others engaged.

Sunday next, the 26th instant by ex-Senator John P. Green, of Ohio, its president, in the main auditorium of the church, near the corner of Third street and New York avenue northwest, at half-past three o'clock, p. m., subject: "The Hour and the Man." All are invited.

The receipts from football at Pennsylvania average \$75,000 per year.

The Black Patti Troubadours, demonstrators of fun, sweet songs, spirited dancers, cake walks and buck dance contests, individually and collectively the most talented and versatile stage entertainers under the sun, will be the attraction at Convention Hall Monday night, November 27, and Tuesday matinee and night, November 28.

Black Patti, the greatest singer of her race, John Rucker, "The Alabama Blossom," reputed to be the funniest man alive, Al Wats, another comical character, John Green, "The Virginia Mammy," Cora La Cals, the octroon sou-brette, Will Cooke, the comical actor, James Reed, the premier colored bass



BLACK PATTI.

singer of the world, Harry Kraton, the wonderful hoop roller, Barrett and Bougie, the unrivalled tenors, The Prampins, the musical wizard and two-score dandies and pretty damsels all equally talented in song, story and dance will present the new big, swell "Black Patti Show." A "Black Patti Show" is in a unique class by itself. It is a composite of droll darkey fun interpolated with all the newest up-to-date singing specialties and topnotch vaudeville acts—all Afro-American creations, staged in a most lavish and tasteful style. The



JOHN RUCKER, THE ALABAMA BLOSSOM.

new blazing budget of mirth and melody this season comprises a new version of "Looney Dreamland," "Southland Scenes," "Pinafore Review," and a vaudeville olio of the usual Black Patti Show standard.

"Looney Dreamland," the newly embellished Black Patti Show's opening skit, is replete with new song hits, big dancing specialties, and stunning and picturesque ensembles.

It is a rapid fire jingle of song, dance and fun, with comic men, dainty dancing damsels in alternating groups of pic-



HARRY KRATON.

turesque songs, exciting dances and side splitting laugh situations—all accompanied by stage appointments and a lavish display of costly costumes. It has song hits galore—some have become the raging New York sensations, taking the lead over all other songs, as the classic creations of the Troubadours have done for ten years past.

The swinging, rollicking hits of "Looney Dreamland" are being whistled hummed and played all over the land. Those that seem to lead in popularity are John Rucker's inimitable and characteristic "Satisfaction to Me," "Nobody," "Just My Style," "Give

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An eminent New York dramatic critic writes as follows after seeing this season's Greater Black Patti Troubadours:

"One of the largest audiences in the history of the house welcomed Black Patti Troubadours to the Star Theatre last night, and was rewarded by hearing a splendid singing organization. "Looney Dreamland" is the title given to the one-act extravaganza that serves as a medium for the performers, and while even the faintest semblance of a plot is lacking, the lines are replete with wit of the highest order. It is a toss up between the comedians and the singers, but the honors of the performance go to Black Patti, who appeared during the action of the second act and sang several melodies with great sweetness. Her range is bordering on the wonderful, and her high notes especially are clear and sweet to an exceptional degree. The large crowd present last evening welcomed her with an ovation of applause, and she was compelled to reply to the encore until, from sheer weariness, she made her excuse. John Rucker was heard in comic ditties, and he sang in a manner that carried the immense audience by storm. The most artistic feature of the entire production was the singing of the "Dixie Chorus," forty of the best-trained negro voices in the world, in the "Southland Scenes" and "Pinafore Review" and the several specialties in the "Looney Dreamland" skit. The production is mounted in a gorgeous and expensive manner, equal to the highest Broadway theatre, New York standard."

In addition to the regular performance, a champion cake-walk contest on Monday night and a buck-dance contest on Tuesday night will be special added features. The contests are open to all comers, and valuable gold prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Tickets for all performances, including Tuesday's matinee, are now on sale at Droop's Music Store, 925 Pennsylvania avenue.

AMONG THE ODD FELLOWS.

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sang America (standing) and M. V. P. Dr. W. J. Howard pronounced the benediction.

The assemblage seated, the Patriarch, Capt. W. C. Gray commanding, marched upon the platform to begin the prize competitive individual sword drill. At either end of the line stood Major Brooks and Lieutenant Webster of the National Guards, who had been selected as judges.

As the drill proceeded, those who committed errors in movement were ordered from the platform. This process continued until only M. V. P. Fisher remained, whereupon the judges declared him winner and in a neat speech Past D. G. M. J. W. Muse presented him the \$5.00 in gold. This concluded the afternoon exercises.

At 8 P. M. a brilliant reception took place in the same hall, which continued till 2 A. M.

This function was a great social event and was largely attended. The ladies were handsomely gowned and Capt. W. C. Gray and Staff, the local and visiting Patriarch and Major Brooks and Lieut. Webster of the District National Guards, in their resplendent epaulettes, gold lace and uniform, gave the occasion a quasi military appearance. The exercises in the afternoon and the grand reception and levee in the evening will be remembered with great pleasure by those who attended them.

Dan Patch, the racing phenomenon, will never engage in competition again. His best effort was 1:55 1/4 at Lexington.

Negotiations for a match race between Peterson, the California professional sculler, and Stanbury, of Australia, the champion of the world, are in progress.

Ill and Sir Wm. H. Severson has been appointed assistant pastor of Israel Church B and First streets, S. W.

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PERUVIAN POTTERIES

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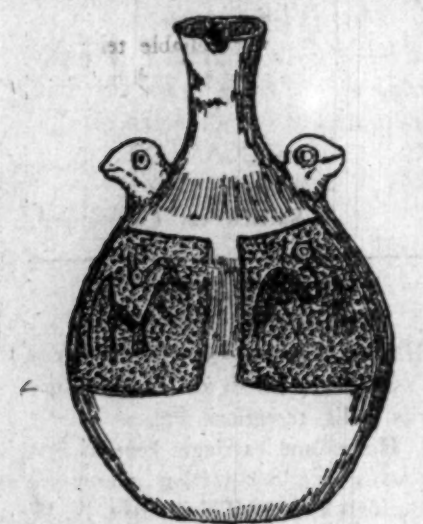
Valuable Collection Has Been Exhibited Only Once Before in 43 Years—Objects of Great Interest to Antiquarians.

New York.—A collection of pottery has come to light in this city which is bound to arouse interest within the widening circle of those who give attention to this form of artistic expression. The collection is now on private exhibition in an apartment on Central Park, and its ultimate destination is at the present time unknown.

Rather, it should be said that a part of the collection has been shown lately to those whose interest leads them to make a visit to the borderland of the park, for the greater portion of it as yet remains packed up, as it has been for many years. But the whole will presently be displayed, and whether it will find a home in a museum or be the spoil of private collectors remains to be seen.

The pottery is the manufacture of the ancient Peruvians, and although it has been in the United States for 43 years, the collection has been publicly shown but once in this country—at the Centennial exposition in Philadelphia. Private collections of old Peruvian pottery are comparatively few—partly, perhaps, because of the general idea that the inherent interest in such ancient work is chiefly archaeological. But the two collections on public exhibition in New York—a loan collection at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and such part of the collection owned by the American Museum of Natural History as is displayed in the cases in the public galleries of that museum—attract a good deal of interested attention.

The collection, which for purposes of reference may be called the Colville collection, and to some persons is known as such, was brought together by a New York merchant of that name who in the



VESSEL WITH ANIMAL HEAD AND BIRD-FORM ORNAMENTATION.

middle of the last century carried on a South American business and spent a considerable part of his time in Peru. At that time less attention than is paid to-day was given to such objects.

The collection numbers about 100 pieces, most of them still encased in the barrels in which they have been stored. They are of many sizes as well as many shapes, some of the objects being of very large size.

Of the small number already opened one has been chosen for illustration, to give an idea of the shape of some of the ornamentation. The color and texture, of course, cannot be shown, and in the flat the mysterious charm of form that characterizes some of the specimens in a fascinating degree is necessarily lost, yet the practiced eye may imagine it.

The form of the body of the vase with the damaged handle here shown is particularly graceful, and makes an artistic appeal, in sharp contrast to the crudity and grotesqueness of some of the other objects. Its color, too, is beautiful.

It is black pottery, but the color tone of this particular piece is of wondrous charm, and with the purity of form makes it easy to understand the references made by some writers to the similarity of some of the Peruvian potteries to Etruscan manufactures of clay.

The piece is curious, too, in showing no seam where top and bottom may have been joined, no place where a model or cast may have been melted and run out. The vase is hollow and sonorous, but seems as though it had been made in one piece. Students have speculated in connection with some of the Peruvian potteries, as to whether wax models were used, the wax being afterward melted away.

Squid, however, noted that there is no evidence that the Peruvians knew of wax, and speculated himself whether they had some peculiar gum that could be hardened and afterward dissolved. But without reference to any antiquarian interest, this particular bit of pottery makes its appeal as an object of beauty, to be placed as such, even though its deeper meaning as a story of the culture of the ancient Peruvians emphasizes its charm.

It has been said that the labor expended in digging in Peru, either for rumored treasure of the Incas or Spaniards or for antiquities, would have built a railroad the length of the country, built wharves for ports and built sewers for the cities. But when looking at the interesting relics of that ancient culture one cannot be sorry that the diggers have dug as they have dug.

A Serious Drawback.

President Loubet of France is returning the recent visit of young King Alfonso of Spain and has been received cordially by the sovereign and his people. If the two can manage to dodge the bomb throwers the trip promises to be enjoyable all around.

REFUSES FOOD IN FRANCE.

Strange Psychological Puzzle Found for Authorities in Person of a Prisoner.

London.—A strange psychological puzzle has been provided for the authorities of Carmarthen prison by Schreiner, the German butler, who is awaiting his trial on the charge of murdering his late employer, Mr. Fryse, and his wife and mother at Tynawr, Cardiganshire. When Schreiner was first admitted to prison, he attempted to starve himself to death by persistently refusing all kinds of nourishment. Matters became so serious that his life was only saved by the prison doctor feeding him forcibly by means of a tube. Since then the man's conduct has been even more erratic. After fasting for one or two days, he will suddenly jump up and devour, with almost brute-like voracity, the food that has accumulated in his cell. Schreiner's habit is to lie stretched on his cell floor, or to stand up against the wall in what appears to be a cataleptic trance. For days at a time he will stare into space, speechless and motionless as a statue. It is even necessary to dress and undress him as though he were a doll.

The question that has been exercising the minds of the prison authorities is this: "Is Schreiner a madman or a superb malingering?" The usual tests have been applied by the officials, but the man refuses to take the slightest notice of the outside world. Attempts to take him off his guard have failed to induce him to move a single eyelid, and the problem remains unsolved.

RAILS AT AMERICAN ARMY.

Conservative German Organ Declares Yankee Solidarity Is "Rotten"—Few Men for Navy.

Berlin.—The leading conservative newspaper, Neue Preussische Kourzeitung, prints what it calls an exposure of the claim of the United States to be a great naval or military power. The article asserts that the American army is "rotten," and that ten per cent. of the soldiers deserted during 1904. The army is made up of miserable material, and, according to the newspaper, the Russian army is superior to that of the United States. "Americans are patriotic with their mouths," says the paper, "but they are unwilling to become soldiers in behalf of their own country, and they despise soldiers as a class."

"The United States possesses sufficient wealth to build 100 new battle-ships, but it is impossible to man them, as neither officers nor crews exist." The article further says that American naval officers are all too old for the ranks they hold. Ten of the admirals are over 61, and the average age of the naval captain is 57, as compared with 48 in the English and German navies. The American army, it is reported, will not bear a close inspection.

CEMETERY TOO LONELY.

Sexton Resigned Because He Could Not Bear Nerve-Trying Isolation There.

Bowling Green, Ky.—Because he had no one to keep him company, Harry Summerville, of Louisville, who recently was elected superintendent of Fairview cemetery here, suddenly gave up his position. He was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the mysterious disappearance of Robert A. Koulston, who turned up in Ireland insane and ill of typhoid fever. Summerville also left suddenly and without notice. The following letter, dated from Louisville, has been received from Summerville by the board of public works:

"Having had the honor conferred on me of being elected to the position of superintendent of your beautiful cemetery, which I very much appreciated, but not being married, with no one to keep house for me (not having been able to get anyone), also cemetery too far for me to go to my meals, I hereby tender my resignation to your honorable body."

AGED WOMAN GROWS CROPS

Asks No Help and Does the Entire Work Unaided—Husband Killed in War.

Cotton Plant, Miss.—Ninety pounds is the weight and 84 years the age of Mrs. Lizzie McKnight, who has just celebrated her last birthday. Working entirely with a hoe on land that has already raised a fine crop of Irish potatoes, Mrs. McKnight raised and gathered with her own hands a crop of 800 pounds of cotton last year.

Mrs. McKnight's husband was killed in the civil war. She can tell a great many interesting things that happened to her during that period. One year she cut and saved a large crop of wheat with no aid except her small daughter.

Mrs. McKnight is remarkably well preserved in every way. She can see to read without glasses, just as well as she ever could. She weighs about 90 pounds, but this is as much as she has ever weighed. Her mind is entirely clear.

Smokes 17,888 Feet of Tobacco. Daniel Kelleher, who is supposed to have been 105 years old, was buried in Wilmington, Del. The deceased was born in Ireland, but had lived here most of his life. Until recently he was active and went about as a man half his age. He attributed his long life to the fact that he was a moderate user of tobacco and liquor. He smoked three plugs of tobacco a week, and it is estimated that he smoked 17,888 feet of tobacco in his lifetime.

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NEW CABINET CHAIR.

ADDITION OF "SECRETARY OF THE ISLANDS" URGED.

Col. Edwards Likely to Receive Appointment if Department Is Created—Taft's Right-Hand Man and a Hard Worker.

Washington.—If congress creates a new department of government to take control of insular affairs, as President Roosevelt does not wish to do, there is little doubt in Washington that the man who will be invited to take the new chair in the cabinet will be Clarence A. Edwards, chief of the present bureau of insular affairs.

For a long time the secretaries of state, war and navy have been anxious to be relieved of the additional, onerous and unusual duties which the control of the new possessions has imposed upon them.

All three secretaries have suggested the advisability of the creation of a new department, stating as their reasons not only that the amount of work at present involved is great, but that in time it will become so much greater that a new department must be established, and that it is far better to establish it now when there is not an overwhelming amount of detail to be grasped by the cabinet official who will take charge.

With the exception of Secretary of War Taft it is said frankly by Washington officials that the only man who with any sort of credit to himself could take the position of "secretary of the islands" is Col. Edwards. He is an army officer, but practically from the beginning of American dealings with the Philippines he has been in touch with all affairs relating to the eastern possessions.

Col. Edwards is Secretary Taft's right-hand man. He accompanied him to Panama and there made a study of conditions, for this army officer has recently had added to his other duties those of the office of the canal administration.

When Col. Edwards writes out his name and titles they appear like this:



COL. CLARENCE A. EDWARDS. (Army Officer Who May Soon Enter the Cabinet.)

Clarence R. Edwards, United States army, chief of the bureau of insular affairs, chief of the office of administration of isthmian canal affairs, director of the Panama railroad and member of the executive committee of the Panama railroad.

When the colonel left his regiment for detached service in Washington the Philippines was his chief concern. The San Domingo trouble came along, and the secretary of state looked at it from afar and said this was something which the war department should look after. So the West India island difficulties were transferred from the state and to the army end of the big building opposite the white house, and eventually found lodgment in Col. Edwards' office.

The insular bureau chief took up the San Domingo puzzle and solved it. The war department is now looking after the collection of customs in the island, has paid some money into the Domingo treasury and has a balance in a bank in New York city which is yet to be distributed.

San Domingo financial affairs never flourished so well, it is said, as they have since the receiver general has been a man with a gun in his hand and a gift for mathematics in his head.

It was not long after the war department took hold of the San Domingo tangle that Col. Edwards was made chief of the office of administration of isthmian canal affairs. He is not complaining of lack of work.

Col. Edwards is an Ohio man. He graduated from the United States military academy in 1882 and received his commission as an officer of infantry. He saw service at the outbreak of the Spanish war and later in the Philippines, where he was on the staff of Gen. Lawton, being with the chief when he was killed.

It was just after the death of Gen. Lawton, and when Col. Edwards was in America attending the funeral of his commanding officer, that he was put at the head of the bureau of insular affairs.

Should Be a Jovious Occasion. The will of the late Huxley Price Hughes, the great English Wesleyan preacher and evangelist, contained the following passage: "I further direct my trustees to arrange that the funeral of my body shall take place with as few signs and symbols of mourning and sadness as possible, for the Christian to die is to gain."

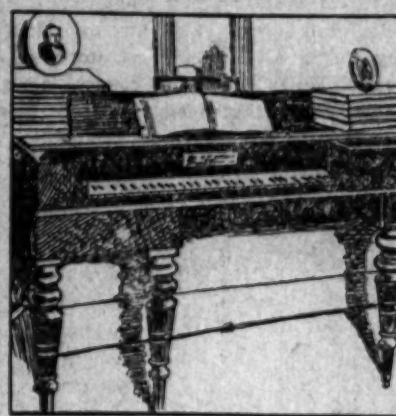
Numbers Not Necessary. The Russian army in Manchuria at the close of hostilities numbered a million men. It is now being demobilized, and the soldiers are returning to Russia as fast as the railroads can carry them. Japan did not have quite so large a force, but "got there just the same."

HAS AN ANCIENT PIANO.

Boston Organist Owns Instrument Which Was One of First Lot Brought to America.

Boston.—John Jacob Astor brought the first piano to the United States. It was soon followed by a few of Broadwood's and Tomkinson's London pianos, which were sent to Boston, one of them now being owned by the celebrated organist of the Church of the Advent, S. B. Whitney.

On the front of Mr. Whitney's piano is the inscription: "Thomas Tomkin-



ANCIENT PIANO. (Old Musical Instrument Brought to United States by Astor.)

son, Dean St., London," also "To His Royal Highness, the Prince Regent."

The fourteenth piano made by Broadwood and one of the few instruments of his make sent to Boston was purchased by Jotham Lawrence, a New Hampshire lawyer, and placed in his mansion house in Exeter, where it remained in the landscape parlor for more than 80 years. The frame was mahogany with square corners, and inlaid with brass moldings and birdseye maple. There were eight spindle legs, a wooden sounding board, which could be removed at will, one wooden pedal, and the name of the maker inscribed in gilt letters on a tablet fastened to the front, on which were the words: "John H. Broadwood, Great Pultney St., London. To His Majesty and the Princesses."

About the year 1895 a member of the Lawrence family received a letter from the famous Broadwood London firm, stating that it had recently come to their knowledge, through an American gentleman, that one of the oldest pianos, No. 17, of their make, was in America, and as their very earliest records had been destroyed by fire, and they knew of no other piano of that early date, they would like to ask the privilege of purchasing the instrument to place in the London museum. The offer was, however, declined. The piano was sent to the world's fair in Chicago with the Chickering collection of antique musical instruments.

CURZON WILL BE AN EARL.

Speculation as to His Future Set at Rest by Announcement from English Capital.

London.—All speculation with regard to the future of Lord Curzon has been set at rest by the semi-official announcement that he is to be raised to the dignity of an earl. He has sailed for England with Lady Curzon, who will be a countess, and his children, each of whom will, through the promotion of their father, be entitled to the prefix of "lady" to their Christian names.

The earl will be named the Earl of Curzon, which will have the effect of investing Lord Curzon with a seat in the house of lords and of depriving him of the possibility of ever sitting again



LORD CURZON. (Former Viceroy Who Has Been Honored by Gift of Earldom.)

In the house of commons. On the death of his father, Lord Scarsdale, the latter's peerage, a barony dating from 1761, will become merged in Lord Curzon's earldom.

There was an idea at one moment that the new earldom might be, like Lord Curzon's barony, an Irish one, with the object of enabling him to remain in the house of commons if he so desired. But the idea has been abandoned, much to the relief of Sir William St. John Brodriek, secretary of state for India, who would not relish having Lord Curzon as a fellow-member of the house of commons after what has passed between them.

A Coyote's Bodyguard. Gray wolves have appeared recently in close proximity to Florence, Col., and no less than a dozen have been seen in that vicinity. Hunters have seen to a number lurking about the cotton-wood trees on the banks of the Arroyo river and in the tall cactus north of the city. When seen the wolves are generally preceded by a coyote, and hunters say the wolves are acting as a bodyguard to the coyote.

Monument to Livingstone. A committee has been formed in England to raise funds for a monument to Livingstone, the great African explorer. It is to be placed in Chitamba at the place where he expired.

HAS CURE FOR INSANE

MOVABLE KIDNEY IS OFTEN CAUSE OF LUNACY.

English Physician Declares That If Simple Operation Were Performed Mental Disorders Would Frequently Be Averted.

London.—Dr. Suckling, of Birmingham, states that he has made the remarkable discovery that a large proportion of cases of insanity and other nervous diseases are due to movable kidney, and may be cured in a few months by a comparatively simple operation.

Dr. Suckling is an M. D. of London University, consulting physician to the Queen's and other hospitals in Birmingham, and author of works on the diseases of the nervous system.

Details of the discovery are fully described in a book just published by Dr. Suckling, and should all he claims for it prove correct it is possible lunacy may be reduced by nearly half.

"I found the movable kidney present," Dr. Suckling says, "in about 40 per cent. of women and 6 or 7 per cent. of men suffering from nervous disorders. Many women have committed suicide or been sent to asylums who might have been saved had the condition of their kidneys been discovered."

"In my own practice I can recall four such cases of suicide. One patient, while waiting admission into a hospital, drowned himself, and three others, whose parents would not allow them to be operated upon or had been frightened by their friends about the operation, also drowned themselves. Another case had to be removed to the asylum because I was not supported in my advice."

As to the cause of this complaint, they are many. Among those mentioned by Dr. Suckling are tight corsets, high-heeled shoes, falls from bicycles or horse, pulling down window sash or lifting heavy weights.

The modern craze for athletics is also blamed. Horse exercise, cycling, golf, hockey or tennis may either cause the malady or increase its intensity. Symptoms are even more numerous than the causes, ranging from actual mania to great mental depression and, appendicitis, insomnia and even absolute loss of the power of walking.

In men irritability of temper is very frequent, and no doubt, says Dr. Suckling, spoils many of their careers. "I have no doubt," says Dr. Suckling, "from repeated experience in my practice, that women are sent to asylums without any examination being made, and that a cause of insanity by dropped liver has never previously been recognized or treated. Therefore from a large and varied experience of these cases and realizing the astounding effects upon the mental condition, I say no man or woman should be sent to an asylum to-day without careful and repeated examination."

GOOD SURGICAL SUBJECT.

One with Most of Intestines Gone Deserts Hospital and Works—Was a Polisher.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—Physicians in the anthracite coal regions often marvel at the recovery of some of the foreign-born mine workers from injuries which would speedily kill a native, and they attribute this to the strong constitutions due to the simple lives of the foreigners and their ancestors.

A striking case in point was described at a meeting of the Luzerne County Medical society by Dr. Prevost. A Polish laborer was admitted to the Pittston hospital, and there it was necessary to perform an operation and remove nearly three feet of his intestines.

The man recovered and was discharged. Just a month later he returned to the hospital and an operation similar to the first one was performed, two feet being cut off. His condition was considered grave, but he was put to bed and again was recovering and was being held for further observation when he arose one night, wrapped himself in his blanket, stole out of the hospital and has not since been seen by the physicians.

They have learned that he walked some miles that night to his home and soon after that went to work and has been at that work since.

LADS ENJOY HIGH LIVING.

Two Youths Dine on Narrow Top of a 15-Foot Smokestack—Trick a Daring One.

Mansfield, O.—At the height of 151 feet, on the narrow top of a newly constructed smokestack of the Mansfield Railway, Light & Power company's power station, Engineer B. B. Pierce of the power station, and James Brown, son of President J. E. Brown of the Aultman-Taylor Machine company and nephew of Mansfield's mayor, Huntington Brown, partook of their noonday repast, while passersby, gazing up, speculated on the chances of their falling off.

Mr. Brown is not a steepjack, but he was game and the two, by means of the workmen's scaffolding, climbed to the top of the stack.

The basket containing the dinner was hoisted to the top of the stack and the men claim to have enjoyed their unique repast thoroughly, though they don't expect to repeat the performance very soon.

What Will Caesar Do? If the revolution breaks out a few more times in Russia the czar, as cautious father, will begin to look about to see what trade he will have the czarist learn.

WOMEN IN HARVEST FIELDS

They Save Farmers of South Dakota from Heavy Loss and Can Hold Office.

Scotland, S. D.—It is not generally known that women played an important part in the gathering of the vast crops of the prosperous South Dakota farmer, but it is a fact that a large part of the manual labor on the Bonhomme county farms was performed by women and girls.

When the farmer saw the vast fields of wheat and oats and other grains waving yellow and loaded with rich yielding heads, he was perplexed to find sufficient help to garner in the grain. Men were scarce and many times could not be had at the best of wages. The alternative was to call on the women. They responded nobly and to see women and girls driving six horses hitched to a binder or header in the state was no unusual sight. Those who could not be used as drivers worked as ordinary men in the fields or at other manual labor.

Among the Russians in this country, women did most of the work this year. They all went at their tasks with light hearts and the farmer smiled when he saw his fields reaped and the grain gathered in stacks or thrashed. There were no fancy dresses worn in the fields, nor were there any fancy dishes on the tables of these thrifty people. There were no trees to shade the weary ones on the edges of the fields, nor did the fair ones carry umbrellas. They did not even think of these things, for it was the gathering of the crops that they were intent on.

Women and girls, when they worked away from home this summer, were paid as high as \$2.50 a day, with their board. Farmers say that in many cases they are preferable to men, as they can be trusted.

Women in this state are also playing a very important part in the handling of political affairs. There is no law that says a woman cannot hold office. In fact, several are now holding the office of county superintendent of schools. Other offices have been filled with great honor by bright, pretty women. At the same time, the women of South Dakota make the very best wives to be found in the land.

POOR; STRIKES GOLD IN PIT

Assay Proves Ore to Be Worth \$80 a Ton—Was Once a Gravel Deposit.

Los Angeles, Cal.—From the owner of a gravel pit on a small piece of land yielding a scant income to suddenly become the possessor of a paying gold mine is the transformation in the fortunes of M. M. Eshelman, of Tropic.

Near the intersection of Glendale avenue and Cypress street is the Eshelman house, situated on about two and one-half acres of land. A wash passes through the rear end and just beyond the wash the land runs into a low hill of decomposed red granite.

The face of this hill has been blasted and a pit has been scooped out; across the property teams have hauled hundreds of loads of gravel. There was more pay in the gravel business than the returns from the soil.

Suddenly the teams ceased coming to the little lot, and the word went out that the gravel pit was exhausted. The neighbors did not believe it, but accepted the story and awaited developments.

Soon the truth leaked out, and the report of the final blast that opened a yellow pocket of pure gold was spread with wide-eyed wonder.

The new mine owner was suspicious and beyond acknowledging that he had made a strike he would say nothing.

JOYOUS DREAM SHATTERED

Kalamazoo, Mich., Givi Said Hubby Looked as If He'd Live to Be 150, So She Left.

Mishawaka, Ind.—The dream of wedded bliss of David Hogenboom, aged 67 years, of this place, who took as his bride Miss Clara Van Voigt, aged 35, of Kalamazoo, has been shattered after but two weeks of the honeymoon had passed.

Because her husband would not concede to her certain property and money Mrs. Hogenboom has returned to her home in Kalamazoo. When she married Hogenboom, she says, a prenuptial agreement was entered into whereby Hogenboom assigned to the young bride much of his property. After the marriage had been performed she discovered that she could control none of the property until after the old man's demise and she consequently said that unless he would consent to rearrange matters she would leave him. He had new papers drawn up and gave her \$500, but she left for her home with the remark, it is alleged, "You look as if you would live to be 150 years old."

Deaf Mutes Are Experts.

Deaf mutes, their infirmity proving a help instead of a hindrance, have demonstrated that there is one kind of skilled work in which they far exceed the ordinary artisan. A Chicago telephone factory after a series of experiments made the discovery. It was found that to the making of the delicate mechanism of the modern telephone, the deaf mute, by reason of the manual development incident to constant use of the sign language, is peculiarly adapted. One hundred and fifty of the deaf mutes, it is announced, are now given employment in the factory at standard wages.

Fortune Smiles in Right Direction. An Iowa man while cutting corn unearthed a pot of gold. Let the youth of the land observe that the man was working when this bit of luck struck him, no loading around a lively stable.

WILL THANK RULERS

DAVID R. FRANCIS TO VISIT MANY FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Goes as Special Envoy to All Monarchs Who Participated in Louisiana Purchase Exposition—Mission Has No Precedent.

Washington.—President Roosevelt has appointed David R. Francis, president of the Louisiana Purchase exposition commission, as a special commissioner to visit foreign countries and extend to their rulers the thanks of the United States for their participation in the St. Louis world's fair. Mr. Francis has been notified of this fact by the state department, and a draft of a letter which will be prepared by the state department and addressed to each of the 43 governments which Mr. Francis will visit has been sent to him.

The information as to the intentions of the government was carried to St. Louis by a letter from Elihu Root, secretary of state, in the course of which the secretary told Mr. Francis that he had received a letter from him, and that he had also received letters and telegrams from 25 or more men of prominence in and out of St. Louis, urging that the action be taken. The secretary of state told Mr. Francis that the matter could be arranged as desired, and that he would be accredited as a special commissioner to convey the thanks of the United States to the foreign governments. St. Louis business men will probably defer the expenses of the trip.

The state department is in doubt as to just what countries Mr. Francis will visit. It has addressed a letter to Mr. Francis, asking him to furnish it with a complete list of the countries which participated in the exposition. When this is supplied and Mr. Francis approves the form of letter to the different foreign sovereigns submitted to him, the department will go ahead with the preparation of finely engraved letters introducing Mr. Francis to each of the rulers and advising them that he is the accredited special commissioner sent to convey the thanks of the president of the United States and of the United States government.



DAVID R. FRANCIS
(He Will Tour World Conveying Nation's Thanks to Many Rulers.)

Much is to be left to the discretion of President Francis. His tour will be unique. It is estimated that it will take the greater part of a year for him to visit each of the countries and be received by each of the sovereigns. At each court there will have to be certain formalities before his presentation, and it is reasonable to suppose that most of the rulers will insist on extending to Mr. Francis some special courtesies and entertainments. While the letters addressed to him by the secretary of state thus far speak of him as special commissioner, it is expected that he will be received by the rulers as the special envoy of the president of the United States. It will not be for this government to place an interpretation on the character of Mr. Francis' mission, but the mere fact that he goes to express the personal thanks of our chief executive and that of the government will place him in much the light of being a representative of the person of the president, and as such he will probably be accepted as of equal temporary rank, while on his special mission, with an ambassador.

The mission of Mr. Francis probably has no precedent in the state department. Of course, there have been many special commissioners designated to visit this, that or the other country upon a special mission. However, it is not within the recollection of old state department officials that any previous mission has been so broad in its scope. Not infrequently occasions arise when this government wishes to address all the powers, but the usual method is to do so via the state department through the numerous diplomatic representatives of foreign lands who are stationed at Washington. The plan of a special and personal mission in this case is regarded as perfectly proper. Foreign governments responded heartily to the invitation to participate in the fair and spent enormous sums to do so creditably, even lavishly.

The feeling of officials here is that, in view of the unusually heavy participation by the countries of the world, this government should make the act of expressing thanks more than a mere perfunctory circular-letter manner of addressing a note to the various nations to be transmitted in the routine channels.

New Version.
A long green Christmas makes a fat pocketbook.—N. Y. Times.

IN MORTON'S HONOR.

Beautiful Piece of Sculptor's Art Unveiled at Nebraska City, Neb., Before Large Assembly.

Nebraska City, Neb.—In the presence of 5,000 persons, and with elaborate ceremony, a statue of J. Sterling Morton, secretary of agriculture in the last Cleveland cabinet, founder of Arbor day, was unveiled at Morton park, here. Among those present at the ceremony were, ex-President Grover Cleveland, ex-Vice President Adlai E. Stevenson, Gov. Mickey, Hilary A. Herbert, David



STATUE OF MORTON.
(Memorial to Founder of Arbor Day Unveiled at Nebraska City.)

R. Francis and others associated with Mr. Morton in his term of office.

Sterling Morton, a grandson of the late secretary, drew aside the curtains which exposed the statue to view. The statue stands upon a massive yet graceful pedestal, in an attitude characteristic of his strong life.

At the foot of the pedestal is a graceful wood sprig, her left hand tenderly protecting a young, growing tree, symbolizing the public-spirited ideal expressed by Mr. Morton's simple formula, "plant trees." A semi-circular stone bench stands at some distance back of the pedestal and forming a frieze around it are the words, "Pioneer, statesman, scholar, tree-planter."

A statue of Mr. Morton is the principal figure of the monument. It stands high on a pedestal, a simple figure outlined against a background of wood and sky. The pose is one that was characteristic of Mr. Morton—the pose he was wont to assume when talking with a friend. A semi-circular stone bench surrounds the monument, suitably inscribed to the memory of the founder of Arbor day. The whole is mounted on an ample platform of masonry elevated above the level of the park in which it stands. Friends of Mr. Morton praise it highly as embodying the spirit and typifying the nature of the man to whose memory it was reared. Thousands of people from all parts of Nebraska and from Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and other states witnessed the unveiling.

SHIP GETS COSTLY GIFT.

Man-o'-War Kansas Is Honored by Presentation of Silver Service Valued at \$4,700.

Topeka, Kan.—The battleship Kansas has been presented with a beautiful silver service, which will be installed when the vessel is ready to be launched. The service will be placed on exhibition in Topeka during the interval after it is made and before it is presented. The cost of the service will be \$4,700.

The weight of the entire service will be 175 pounds and only pure sterling silver will be used. The punch bowl is, of course, the largest piece of the set. Accompanying the punch bowl will be a screen, to fit within it, so that if the officers of the ship decide that, because it came from prohibition Kansas, no intoxicant shall be ladled from it, it can easily be converted into a spacious flower urn.



TRAY OF SILVER SERVICE.
(Part of Gift for Battleship Kansas.)

The sunflower will be the theme of the design on all the pieces. On one side of the punch bowl will be engraved a picture of the battleship itself, while on the other side will be a design yet to be selected—probably an engraving of the statehouse at Topeka.

About the base of the bowl will be 12 cups while the handles of the bowl are made to represent buffalo heads. The ladle is an especially attractive piece. Near the top of this ladle is a national shield in enameled colors. The other pieces in the set are: Four bon-bon dishes, two five-branch candelabra, tea service, consisting of coffee, tea, sugar and creamer; one large waiter for the tea service, embossed with a picture of the state capital, two covered vegetable dishes, one large meat dish, soup tureen, water pitcher and tray, mahogany cigar box, trimmed with silver.

Jiu Jitsu for Soldiers.

France has taken up jiu jitsu and is demonstrating its superiority to boxing. What is curious is that the man who is teaching French soldiers and others the art is not a Japanese but a Frenchman. Athletics now form an important part of military training in the old countries as well as in the United States. It has become apparent that anything which tends to the physical development and muscular efficiency of a soldier adds to his power as a fighting man.

Restitution in Order.

Three burglars in New York claim to have robbed 400 homes. It's a great record, but it looks dim beside the record of certain insurance companies, who have touched about 4,000,000 homes.

POE'S OLD ROOM WAS NO. 13

Marked by Tablet Presented by Washington Women to World-Famed Poet.

Charlottesville, Va.—On the fifty-sixth anniversary of the death of Edgar Allan Poe a bronze tablet was placed upon the door of his dormitory room, No. 13, University of Virginia, in the presence of a large assemblage of professors, students and others. The tablet, the gift of two ladies, Miss Lois A. Bangs and Miss Whitton, principals of the National Cathedral school of Washington, D. C., is 15x30 inches in diameter and bears the following inscription:

DOMUS PARA MAGNI POETAE.
MDCCCIX—MDCCCXLIX.

It was formally presented on behalf of the donors, by Prof. William M. Thornton, dean of the engineering school, and accepted by President Alderman on behalf of the university. A paper on Poe's life at the University of Virginia, prepared by Dr. James A. Harrison. In his paper Dr. Harrison says, in part:

"When Poe matriculated at the university on St. Valentine's day in 1826, he was just 17 years old, and stood one hundred and thirty-sixth on the list of 176 students who wrote their names in the registration book that year. He roomed at first on the Lawn, but having had a difficulty with his room mate, Miles George, he left the Lawn, and removed to No. 13, where he remained until December 15, 1826, when that session of the university came to an end.

"Here, then, in this small room dwelt for ten months the strange intelligence whose influence from that day to this has never ceased to be felt, an intelligence epoch marking in its fantastic and extraordinary power."

ILLINOIS HAS \$5,041,128,725

Tax Value of \$1,008,925,745—Railroad Property and Corporation Stock Not Included.

Springfield, Ill.—The actual value of property in the state of Illinois is \$5,041,128,725, according to returns received by the state board of equalization.

Returns from every county in the state, as made by local assessors on town and city lots, lands and personal property give the total tax value as \$1,008,925,745, one-fifth of the property's true value.

These figures do not include railroad property, the capital stock of corporations, and other property assessed by the board of equalization.

The assessed value last year was \$993,487,940. Eighty counties show an increase of \$15,666,722 over last year's assessment, while in 22 there is a decrease of \$328,967, making the net increase over 1904 \$14,737,805.

Cook county shows an increase of \$4,535,173. The next largest increase is in Logan county, where it amounts to \$1,862,596. The largest decrease is \$163,371, in Monroe county.

The total assessment in Cook county is \$405,865,754. The next wealthiest county in the state is McLean. The report shows that the assessed value of property there is \$20,980,592. La Salle is third with \$18,046,017, and Sangamon stands fourth with \$17,524,094. Sangamon leads Peoria county by \$72,516.

The poorest county in the state is Hardin. Reports show that the assessed value of all its property is only \$430,313. The Pope county assessment is \$860,582, and Johnson county reports \$985,797.

BALL STICKS TO HEDGEHOG

Tennis Player Makes Star Drive and Is Surprised to See Sphere Move Through Undergrowth.

Bemis, Me.—Mrs. J. T. Hackley, of Brookline, Mass., who has been spending the summer at a camp on Lake Rangeley, is an enthusiastic tennis player, and spent a part of nearly every morning on a court built by clearing off a section of wood just back of the camp. Three sides of the court were thickly forested and balls were frequently lost in the undergrowth.

"I shall hunt for the next ball until I find it," said Mrs. Hackley, and true to her word, she devoted nearly an hour to searching for the sphere which a strong drive sent into the forest.

She was almost on the point of giving up when she saw the ball resting on what she thought was a bed of gray moss. She reached for it, and the ball moved. She was startled, but, thinking she had been mistaken, she again reached forward. This time the ball again slipped out of her grasp, and her hand came down on the back of a hedgehog with enough force to drive 100 quills into the tender flesh. Blood poison set in, but prompt medical attendance prevented it from becoming general.

New Road to Glory.

The "poison squad" are now to be fed on cold-storage food. Their observations and reports on their diet will, consequently, be anything but official hot air. The young men composing this celebrated squad are heroes, possibly martyrs. Many men before them have starved to death in the cause of duty; they are the first to be willing to eat themselves to death to serve their country.

Values of Moths.

The national museum has a collection of moths which it values at \$1,000,000. They must have been fed on the choicest kind of stuff.

PANAMA CANAL PURCHASES

Include Guinea Pigs, White Mice, Wooden Legs, Bibles and Playing Cards.

Washington.—The extensive purchases by the isthmian canal commission have been completed for the present, although requisitions for material are constantly being received. These are for small lots of miscellaneous supplies.

The commission has purchased or ordered 646,000 pounds of blasting powder and 617,500 pounds of dynamite, which is to be used in rocks in the line of the canal that must be removed. Thirty million feet of lumber have been purchased, about 24,000,000 feet coming from the Pacific coast.

The paving of the city of Panama has required the purchase of 7,000,000 paving brick, while 3,500,000 bricks are to be used in the construction of buildings and quarters for the workmen.

Besides the engines used by the Panama railroad, 120 locomotives have been bought for excavation work; also 1,300 flat cars and several hundred dump cars.

The flat cars are used for excavating and are unloaded by rapid machines which scrape the earth from a whole train in short order. Spreaders are then used to remove the earth from the railroad track on which the cars are operated.

To build these excavating lines 5,000 tons of steel rails and 125,000 cross-ties on which the rails will be laid have been bought.

The medical supplies of the canal zone are purchased through the office of the surgeon general of the army. They include among other things guinea pigs and white mice, which are used for experimental purposes; also wooden legs of assorted sizes. Orders are filled for Bibles and playing cards among others in the great variety of articles purchased for the canal.

PREACHER WHIPS ROWDIES

Two Young Men Who Made Trouble at Prayer Meeting Thrashed in a Jiffy.

Guthrie.—For several months the Free Will Baptist church, Rev. Durham, pastor, situated about six miles east of Lexington, has experienced considerable annoyance from several rowdies. At times arrests have been made and fines imposed, but this did not seem to discourage the solidists' bad men.

Recently evening prayer services were held there. Soon after the crowd began to gather two of the prime movers in these disturbances started a row, in which a son of the preacher was involved. Just as the affair was raised to the boiling point Rev. Durham happened along and, concluding that the boys had run things long enough, proceeded to take a hand. The first thing the boys knew of it, George Hughes, one of the two, received a right-hand swing on the jaw that knocked him flat. The preacher then turned to the other, Tom Latimer, and before Hughes was on his feet Latimer was a whipped man.

It was thought at first that Hughes' jaw was fractured. A doctor examined him while he was in Lexington, but found no breaks. He says, however, that it felt like a mule had kicked him.

WILL TEACH THE VAQUEROS

Texas Cowboys Taken to Argentina to Instruct Natives in Art of Roping Cattle.

New York.—If Argentine vaqueros do not learn more about roping and tying cattle in the next few months than they ever knew before it will not be the fault of Spence Jowell and his band of seven Texas cowboys. They sailed for Buenos Ayres under contract to Hill & Connell, old Texas themselves, and now the owners of a ranch in the South American republic.

There is not a man in Jowell's band who is not a celebrity. Clay McGonnigle held the title of champion, having roped, thrown and tied a steer in 23½ seconds.

"It is a business proposition," explained Jowell. "The vaqueros know all about lassoing cattle, but they use ropes from 60 to 100 feet long and don't know anything about throwing and tying cattle. It costs a lot of time the way they do things."

"Bill Connell has been training 20 cow ponies for the boys and they will teach the natives what's what with a rope."

Fills a Long-Felt Want.

A movement is on foot in Chicago to establish a \$300,000 school, the express mission of which will be the salvation of the human stomach, says Four-Track News. Good! No part of man's anatomy is so abused as that curious little pouch known as the stomach. The average meal is prepared with reference only to the palate and with a careless disregard of the more important organs of digestion. If we can be made to see the enormity of our offense in insulting our stomachs with soggy rabbits, rich newburgs, leathery clams and other indigestibles, it will be a great step toward driving dyspepsia into oblivion and toward the attainment of a happy old age. It is really remarkable what some human stomachs will endure before they enter an emphatic protest.

To Fit the Case.

The name of the battleship Kalaz Potemkina, the crew of which mutinied in the harbor of Odessa last June, has been changed by imperial order to Pandemonium. This is, no doubt, the Russian word for pandemonium.

FAIR ONE A "COP."

PUEBLO, COL., GIRL IS FULL-FLISHED POLICEMAN.

Pretty Newspaper Writer in Effort to Get Laws Enforced Puts on Star and Is Now Traveling a Regulation Beat.

Pueblo, Col.—Since Colorado extended the suffrage to women 11 years ago, the state has had women legislators, women state and county officials and, in Kiowa, a cattle ranch county, a woman justice of the peace. But not until a few days ago, when Miss Pauline Christman was sworn in by Chief McCafferty, of Pueblo, has any city in Colorado had a woman policeman.

Many persons unfamiliar with conditions in Colorado might imagine a short-haired, strident-voiced "unsexed female," plain and ancient, as the sort of person who would receive such an appointment, instead of a talented young newspaper writer who was given her commission as a recognition for no mean service in the manufacturing center of Colorado.

Miss Christman had regular duties on a local paper. While going about she was annoyed by the filthy condition of the sidewalks, the floors of street cars and other public places which many of Pueblo's citizens persisted in regarding as escarpments.

The fight against this evil had long been waged before women's clubs and medical societies, but resolutions and learned speeches were the only result before Miss Christman came from Denver.

This young woman had been in town but a few days when she went to a policeman who was swinging his club over a well-mottled sidewalk. "Why don't you arrest the men who persist in spitting on the sidewalks and in other public places?"

"No orders, miss. Can't exceed authority, you know. You'll have to see the chief."

Chief McCafferty listened sympathetically, but explained that there was no adequate ordinance against spitting. He advised Miss Christman to see Mayor West.

The mayor agreed with her in every particular. If she would see the members of the city council he would use his influence to assist in having her suggestions embodied in an ordinance, and pledged himself then to see to it that it was enforced rigidly.

Miss Christman had the ordinance drawn, arranged for newspaper support of her movement, found an alderman to introduce it, and then went to each of the aldermen in turn and told him why she wished him to vote for the bill—how essential it was for public health and the appearance of the city.

As a result of Miss Christman's ideas were made law by unanimous vote.

Now every patrolman in the city, acting under special instructions from the mayor and chief of police, is on the lookout for tobacco chewers and other promiscuous expectorators.

The chief of police made Miss Christman a special policeman with full powers to arrest violators of any of the ordinances, and especially of the one which she had been instrumental in having passed. The women's clubs passed resolutions commending the young woman for her activity and the mayor and the chief of police for appointing her a policeman.

That is how Pueblo's sidewalks and public places generally are now cleaner and more sanitary than they were a fortnight ago, and why Miss Christman wears a gold star on the lapel of her jacket.

PLAN DEFENSE OF CHICAGO

War Department Considers Scheme to Fortify That and Many Other Lake Ports.

Washington.—Plans are under consideration at the war department for fortifying Chicago and other ports on the great lakes and St. Lawrence river. A system of fortifications developed by Maj. John T. Johnson, at one time stationed at Chicago, is being considered. At present Canada has large commercial projects under development. A canal from Ottawa river to Lake Ontario and another from Hamilton on Lake Ontario to Lake Huron, now under contemplation, will when completed, give Canada an outlet to the sea through Dominion territory. While these canals are proposed as aids to commerce, they will be of sufficient depth to accommodate gunboats. The necessity for fortifying Chicago and other lake cities, to protect them from attack by water, is recognized by war department officials, and it is almost certain that the scheme of defense under consideration will be perfected and the fortifications constructed.

Uncle Sam Past Shipmaker.

The government will demonstrate that it can build warships at its own yards cheaper and quicker than can private ship yards. The battleship Connecticut, which is being constructed at the Brooklyn navy yard in competition with the battleship Louisiana, under construction at the yards of the Newport News shipbuilding works, is 2½ per cent. in advance of the Louisiana. The Connecticut will be completed in six weeks. As a result of this contest Secretary Bonaparte will recommend the construction of another battleship at the government yard.

Age Brings Wisdom.

A skipper 74 years old swam ashore to Chicago from his schooner when it was stranded off that city. Had he been a younger man he would probably have swam to some other town, even though it was farther away.

WOULD REFORM GOTHAM.

Anthony Comstock, Engaged in Endeavor to Root Vice from Great Metropolis.

New York.—Anthony Comstock, this city's active purity crusader, who became so disturbed over George Bernard Shaw's prurient play, "Mrs. Warren's Profession," as produced here recently, that he threatened to throw Shaw's manager, Arnold Daly, into jail, probably looks upon more pictures that should be veiled, and



ANTHONY COMSTOCK.
(Gotham's Purity Crusader, Who Suppressed Shaw Play.)

listens to more utterances that never should have been made than any other one man in the United States. But all this purely in his somewhat trying capacity of secretary and special agent of the New York Society for the Suppression of Vice.

As a reporter of the obscene, Mr. Comstock has had some lively experiences. He is always running afoul of some one doing an illicit business of some kind. Just now the object of his especial attention is the postal cards bearing objectionable pictures or matter. Thousands of these offensive pasteboards have been flooding the country and arousing the resentment of the recipients and the post office authorities. Only a few days ago, in making the arrest of a dealer in these wares, he was loudly denounced by the proprietor, a Broadway store-keeper, before a crowd of 300 persons.

Two years ago Mr. Comstock made a raid on a cigar store in Harrison street, Chicago, which he suspected was headquarters for the distribution of pamphlets, pictures and books objectionable to the society he represents. He arrested the proprietor, Charles S. Wright, piled the thousands of pamphlets and other confiscated property in mail wagons and soon was off on a similar mission to another western city.

Mr. Comstock's "poking" is by no means confined to Gotham. He is always on the lookout for doubtful works of "art," has an eye to the morals of the rising generation, exposes gambling and other frauds and makes it his boast that, as an officer for the Society for the Suppression of Vice, he has brought to justice about 2,655 criminals and destroyed some 34 tons of obscene literature and pictures.

Mr. Comstock, who is stout, florid and ornamented with old-fashioned "schoolmaster" side whiskers, which meet his mustache on brotherly terms, is an old soldier. He volunteered to fill the place of his brother, Samuel Comstock, who was killed at Gettysburg. Mr. Comstock has been a post office inspector and has written several books dealing with social reforms.

DEROULEDE IN FRANCE.

Famous Exile Returns to His Mother Country After Long Sojourn in Other Continents.

Paris.—M. Paul Deroouede, former member of the chamber of deputies who was exiled for participating in a revolu-



M. PAUL DEROULEDE.
(Who Has Been Recalled from Exile by France.)

tionary plot in 1899, has returned to his beloved France. This is because the chamber, by an almost unanimous vote, adopted the amnesty bill, the passage of which has been awaited by Deroouede before consenting to return to France, he having refused the presidential pardon.

Deroouede says he is glad to again be in France, where he believes he can be very useful. His country, he says, owing to the attitude of the German emperor towards it, must collect all Frenchmen under the French flag.

For a time following his exile, Deroouede lived in Spain.

Deroouede was leader of the League of Patriots. He took part against the commune in 1870, wrote several popular dramas, was impeached as a deputy, wrote political pamphlets from Italy and last year fought a duel with M. Jaures, socialist leader in the chamber, because Jaures had cast reflections upon the character of Joan of Arc. Neither was wounded.

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PROF. KELLY MILLER PLAYS "STRADDLE" AT NEW HAVEN, CONN.

(Special to The Guardian.)
New Haven, Conn., Nov. 14, 1905.—The first of a series of addresses to be delivered during the winter at the Gregational Church, under the auspices of the Men's Club, was heard last Sunday evening. Professor Kelly Miller, of Howard University, Washington, D. C., was the speaker. It was the professor's first appearance before a New Haven audience. His subject was "The Higher Needs of the Negro Race." The eminence of the speaker drew to the church a gathering which tested the capacity of the edifice. The address, marked by the very pleasing style which has made Professor Miller's writings so readable, was adorned with many bright thoughts clothed in a wealth of rhetoric. It was rich in research and ennobled with high ideals. As a speech, however, it failed. Professor Miller and his position were not in harmony. No one can tell how the speaker felt. In line upon line of matter worth remembering, the Professor laid down causes and deductions of a lucid and convincing quality. In the light of a pure intellect he saw clearly the higher essentials of true manhood.

The most striking character of Professor Miller's address was the astonishing inconsistencies which interspersed his otherwise beautiful array of propositions. Everyone in that audience, pro-Washington and anti-Washington, and the speaker not excepted, knew that Professor Miller was holding up persuasions of right and wrong, which Mr. Washington had sacrificed to appease a vaulting ambition, and are still asking, Was it sincerity and earnestness which called out the very discordant notes of Mr. Washington's praise. In one breath Professor Miller, half-deriding, would tear the false theories of life advanced by Mr. Washington, and in the next declare him to be the greatest negro the world has ever known. So paradoxical was the attitude of the speaker that one was reminded of the subtle design of Mark Anthony in his famous oration over Caesar. How he played the arguments which Brutus had used to win the sentiment of the populace, "yet Brutus was an honorable man!" Throughout the address Professor Miller assailed mercilessly the low conception of life and its needs, which has been taught by Mr. Washington. What does Professor Miller mean? Where does he stand? These are questions which everyone interested in racial welfare is asking.

Professor Miller has ever been a conundrum among negro thinkers, and he failed to suggest a solution of himself in his Sunday evening talk. The purpose of the address was that a man should aspire to the highest thing in life within his reach, even though it be a piano in a little one-roomed cabin in the backwoods of the South; he should develop intellectuality if needs be at the expense of handicraft; and that possession of wealth and property were not essential to true development of men. After this, to praise the decrier of these ideals, as if there were any common principle of right and wrong between the two ideas is the rankest concealment of the true characterization of the man, or the blindest admiration.

The Niagara Movement, symbolic of the attainment of the higher needs of the negro, Professor Miller referred to as a "catastrophic downpour." He declared inferentially the mysterious committee of twelve and the Afro-American Council to be alive, but there were

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